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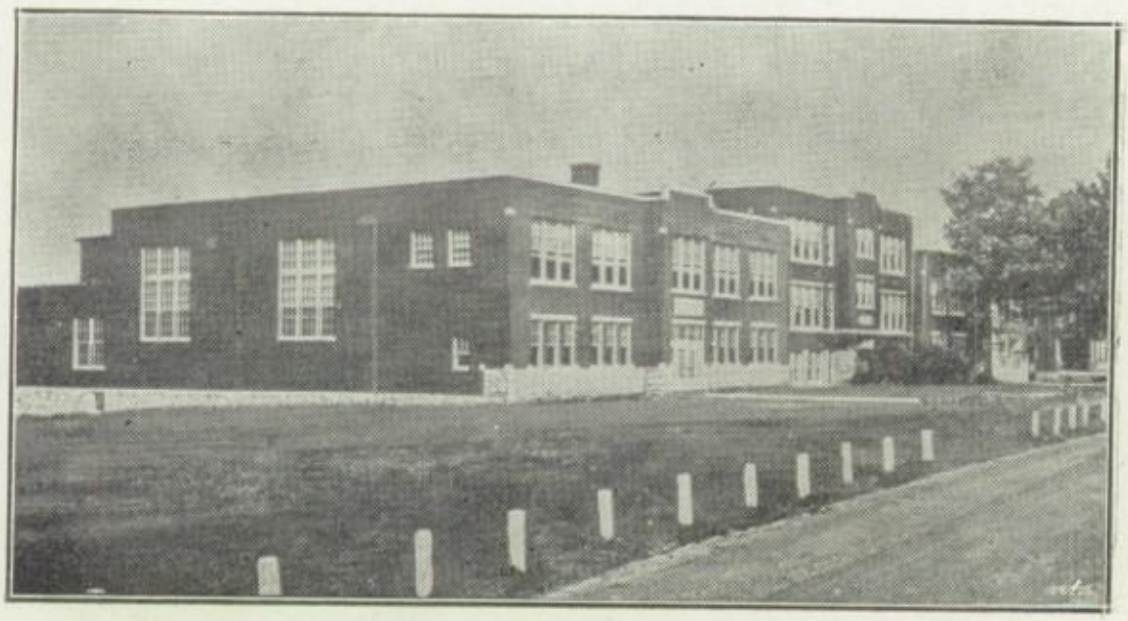
Senior Class of '53



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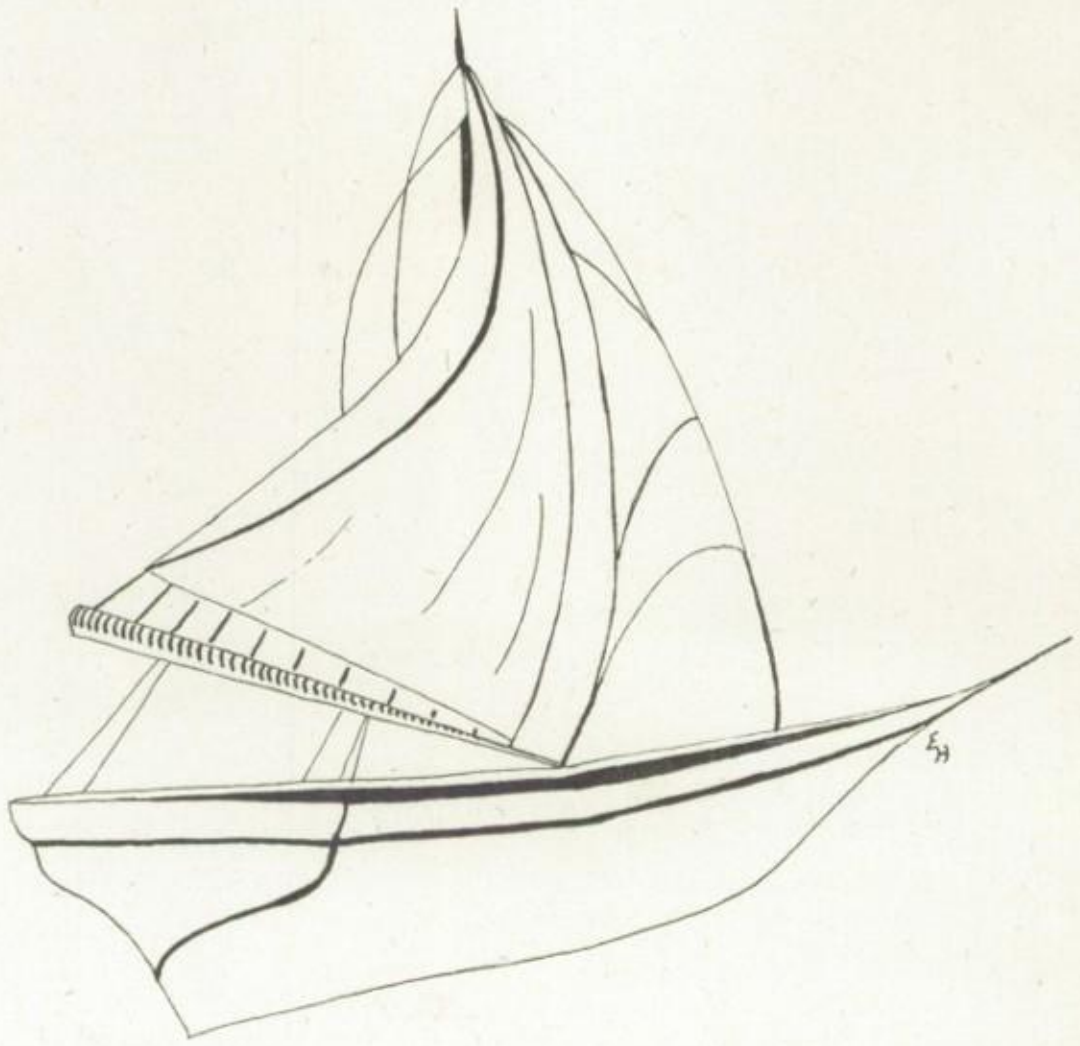
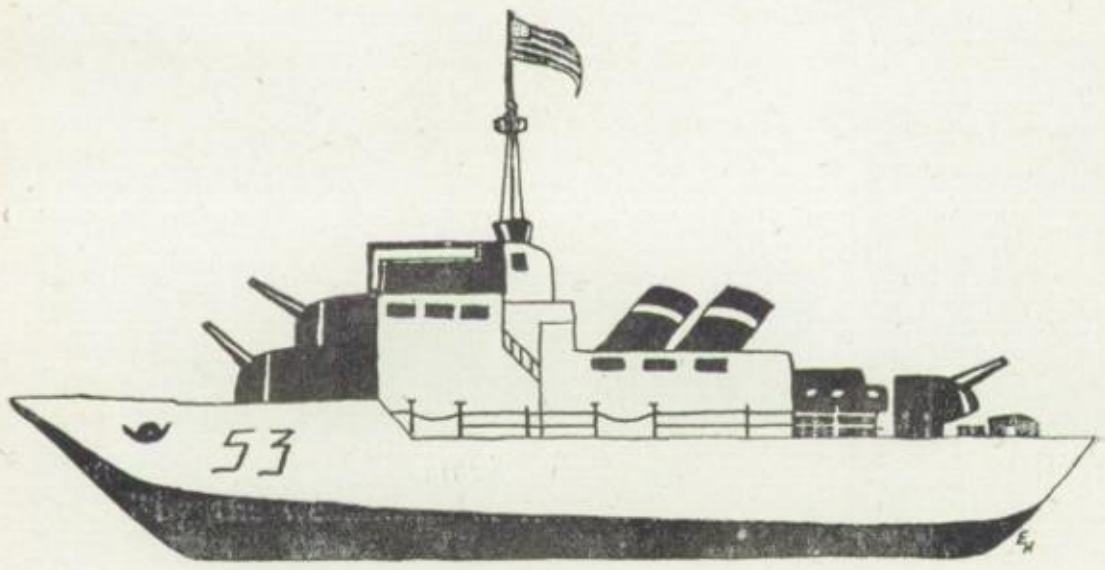


We, the Seniors of 1953, would like to thank the boosters of our school, without whose help it would have been impossible to publish our annual.

To them, we dedicate this book in hopes that this little bit of recognition will help show our appreciation.

Administration



School Board

Albert Durand
President

Lloyd Erwin
Clerk

Clifford Faxon
Treas.

J. W. Well

Kenneth Cissna

Arthur Akerson

In past years we have asked the president of the board to write in this space and we have enjoyed having them participate, however this year we are going to depart from this in order to express our appreciation to them for the many things they do for us.

Each month they spent many hours here for which they receive no remuneration. It is because of their forward looking policies that we are able to have a progressive, up-to-date school of which we may be justly proud.

A school is only as progressive as the people who are in charge of its policies and as long as Palmyra Schools are in the hands of such capable people we need have no fear that our school will not excel.

Superintendent

G. W. Cummings

As we live among people, we are so close to the field of action that much of the value and beauty of human lives around us is obscured by the weaknesses of human nature.

As distance and time separates us the real values of a person are rediscovered and friendship blossoms into its full beauty which can only be expressed by a poetic genius.

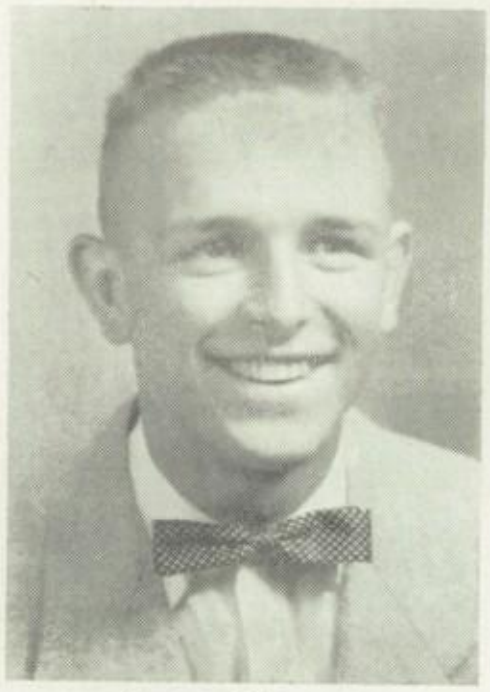
May, as we turn the pages of this book in the near or distant future, the pictures bring a profound realization of the personal worthwhileness of all our friends.

Principal

William Speak

My first year at Palmyra High School has been a wonderful experience, with a wonderful group of students. I hope that as we look and think through the pages of this book our hearts will flow with kind recollections of a happy year together.

Student Council



Roger Feaster
President Student Body

Sonny Kroeger
Vice President Student Body

As President of the Student Body, I wish to express my deep gratitude and appreciation to the Student Body, Faculty and School Board for their sincere co-operation in making this school year a great and profitable year for everyone. It is my hope that as you go through each page of this annual, it will bring back precious memories of your classmates, teachers, and good times you have enjoyed while attending Palmyra High.

Speaking for the entire Senior Class, we all regret leaving old P. H. S., but we all know that it is being left in well qualified hands.

Back row—Kenneth Hoehne, Lois Kreider, Ruth Ann Stuhlman, Jack Kimberly, Cecil Peters.
Front row—Donald Bestman, Sonny Kroeger, Roger Feaster, Shirley Courtright, Carolyn Turner.

Faculty

Mrs. Martha McClain

Physical Education
Librarian - Health

Bert Edward Stanley

Music

Mrs. Wilma Ellis

Art
English
Mathematics

Floyd Hager

Vocational
Agriculture

Mrs. Edith Schuckenbrock

Social Studies

Faculty

Mrs. Margaret Maize

Vocational
Home Economics

Jean Seeger

English
Dramatics
Speech

Sherman Hafner

Coach
Physical Education

Mrs. Marjorie Westmoreland

Physics
General Science
Biology

Mary Frances Pugh

Commercial Studies

Nell Finley
Principal
Eighth Grade

Mrs. Mary Bennett
Seventh Grade

Doris Imbler
Sixth Grade

Mrs. Helen Gottman
Fifth Grade

Grade Faculty

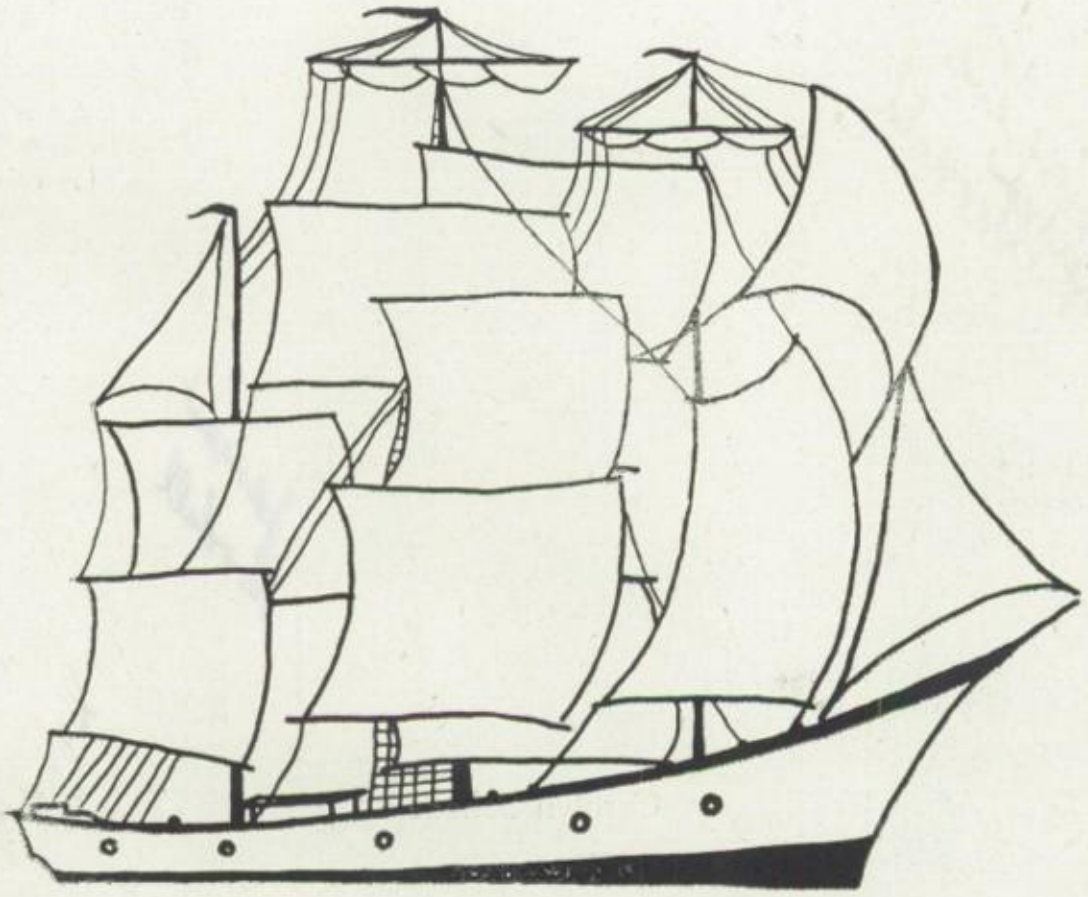
Mrs. Marian Edwards
Fourth Grade

Mrs. Mabel Cary
Third Grade

Mrs. Esther Gardhouse
Second Grade

Mrs. Alice Cary
First Grade

Seniors



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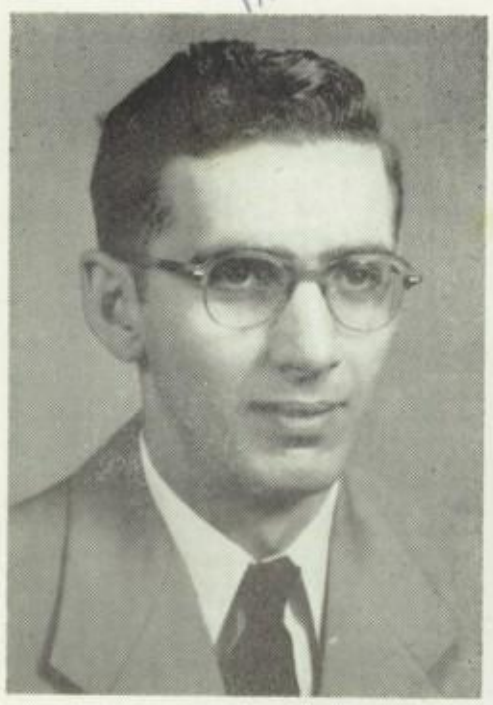
Senior Officers



H. McCormick
Pres.

Catherine Herring
V. Pres.

Phyllis Mette
Secretary

Carolyn Schade
Treasurer

E. Vannice
Reporter

Married Marvin Myers

Carolyn Becker "Becky"

Placidity itself. Nothing ever ruffles the calm surface of her mind.
Student Council 1; Class Secretary 2; Class Treasurer 3; Assistant Pep Squad Reporter 3; FHA 1, 4; Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4; Pep Squad Secretary 4; Girls' State 3; Searchlight Staff 4; Glee Club 1, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 3, 4; Football Queen 4; Dramatics 4.

Married Charlotte Williams

Donald Bestman "Don"

Easy come-easy go.
Lettermen's Club 4; Key Club 4; Football 4; Dramatics 4.

Married Suzanne Schulten

John Bier "Bier"

His ideals are high, his abilities many, and school spirit he has plenty.
Presient FFA 4; Lettermen's Club 3, 4; FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; Key Club 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2; Mixed Chorus 1, 2; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Dramatics 3; Searchlight Staff 4.

Leon Selow

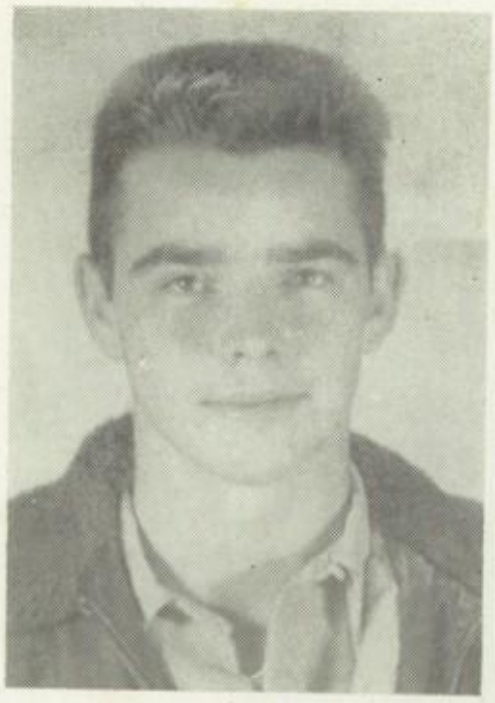
Mary Bohon "Bohon"

She doesn't have to study, the teachers are sure she knows.
Secretary Library Club 3; Reporter Library Club 4; Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA 1, 3, 4; Library Club 2, 3, 4; Searchlight Staff 4; Glee Club 1; Mixed Chorus 1, 2; Basketball Queen 4.

Ruth Bockhold "Ruth"

Like a bee, she works all day in her quiet sort of way.
FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Library Club 1, 2, 3.

Gilbert Hudson



Wallace Buckwalter "Buck"

A good example of one of these much talked of, strong, dark men.
Searchlight 4; Lettermen's Club 3, 4; Football 3; Dramatics 3; Monroe City 1.

Helen Callighan "Daisy Mae"

All work and no play is not the life for me.
Pep Squad 1, 2, 3; FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics 4; Searchlight Staff 4.

Barbara Carter "Barbie"

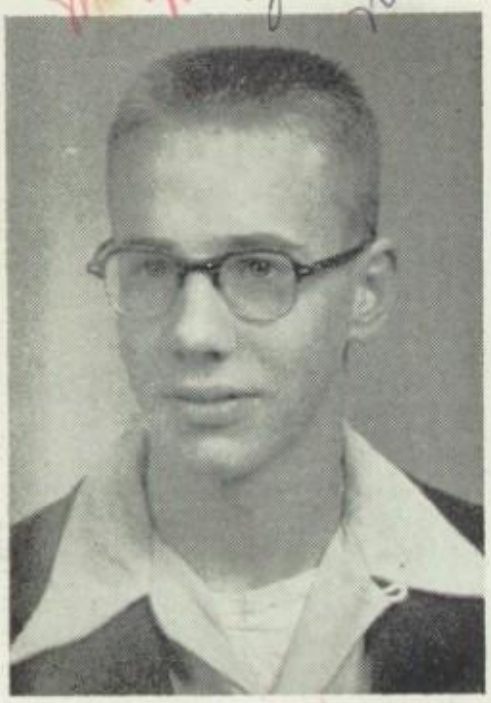
When dates and lessons don't agree, I keep the dates and let the lessons be.
Searchlight Staff 4; Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 3, 4; Dramatics 3, 4.

Shirley Courtright "Shorty"

Have you ever seen her eyes dance? We warn you take another glance.
Secretary of Student Council 4; Parliamentarian for FHA 4; Cheerleader 2, 3, 4; Searchlight Staff 4; Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Club 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 1, 2; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; Dramatics 3, 4.

Margaret Conner "Maggie"

Born to giggle, and horse laugh I will.
Searchlight Staff 4; Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Club 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4.



Albert Davis "Jerry"

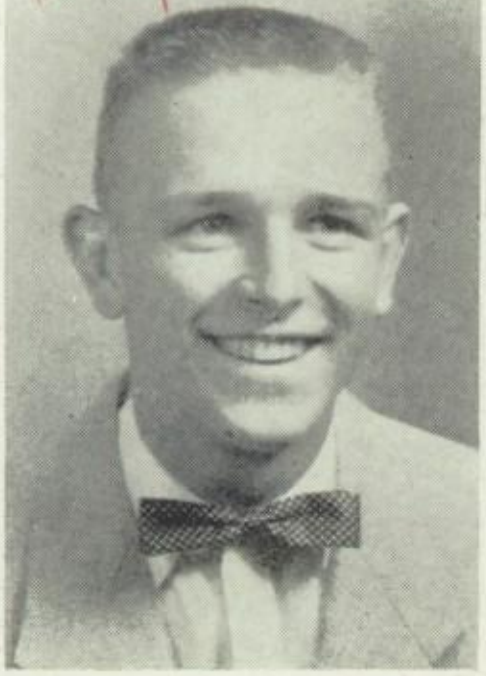
Happy-go-lucky, fair and free,
ready to go out on another spree
Searchlight 4; Lettermens Club 4; Glee Club 1; Mixed Chorus 1; Football 3, 4; Dramatics 3.

Betty Disselhorst "Pony"

Merry as the day is long.
Pep Squad Reporter 4; Carnival Attendant 4; Searchlight Staff 4; Searchlight Queen 4; Pep Squad 3, 4; FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Clubs 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4.

Earl Dean Drebes "Orl"

Don't know do ya? Let's take a vote on it.
Carnival King 4; Searchlight Staff 4; Lettermen's Club 3, 4; Football 3, 4; Dramatics 4.



Roger Feaster "Rog"

Fast, furious, and fickle
Dramatics 3; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chrous 1; 2, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 4; Key Club 2, 3, 4; Lettermen's Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Searchlight Staff 1, 4; Football Co-Captain 4; Class President 1; Student Council President 4; Student Council 3, 4; Lettermen's Club Secretary and Treasurer 4; President Key Club 3; High School Who's Who 4; All District North-East Football Team 4; Honorable Mention All State Football Team 4; Honorable mention All District North-East Football Team 3.

Leon Drebes "Drebes"

My greatest ambition is to have at least one thought.
Reporter FFA 4; Searchlight Staff 4; Lettermen's Club 4; FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Club 3; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 2, 3, 4; Football 4; Dramatics 4.

Marjorie Gottman "Marge"

A little girl full of questions
Class Treasurer 2; Barnwarming Attendant 1; Football Attendant 4; Basketball Attendant 4; Searchlight Staff 4; Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA 1, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; Dramatics 4.

Elizabeth Hampton "Liz"

She looks like an angel and acts like one too, but you never can tell what an angel will do.
Class Treasurer 1; Pep Squad Treasurer 3; Editor of Searchlight 4; Searchlight Staff 4; Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA 1; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4.

Catherine Herring "Cathy"

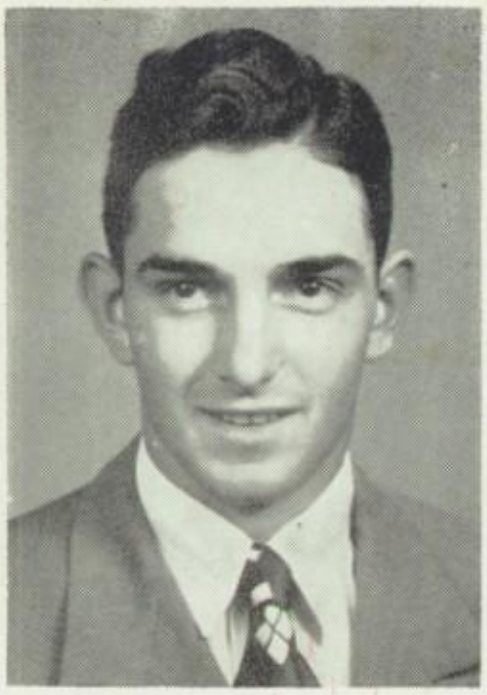
Ain't love grand?
FHA President 3; Pep Squad President 4; Class Vice President 4; Basketball Attendant 3; Searchlight Staff 4; Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Club 1, 2, 3; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chrous 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3.

Edna Knueppel "Eddie"

Always on the spot.
Student Council 2; Football Attendant 2; Searchlight Staff 4; Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA 1, 4; Glee Club 1, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 4; Dramatics 4; Assistant Editor of Searchlight 4.

Billy Johnson "Moose"

I doubt if work ever killed anyone.
Key Club Vice President 4; Searchlight Staff 4; Lettermen's Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Key Club 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2; Mixed Chorus 1, 2; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4.



Maurice Kreider "Maurice"

Speech is great, but silence is greater
FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics 4; Searchlight Staff 4.

Harold McCormick "Mac"

My conduct at school is a teacher's delight, I sleep all day, so I can study all night.
Class President 4; Student Council 1; Sophomore Pilgrimage 2; Searchlight Staff 4; Key Club 2, 3, 4; Band 1; Dramatics 3.

Janet Maddox "Sue"

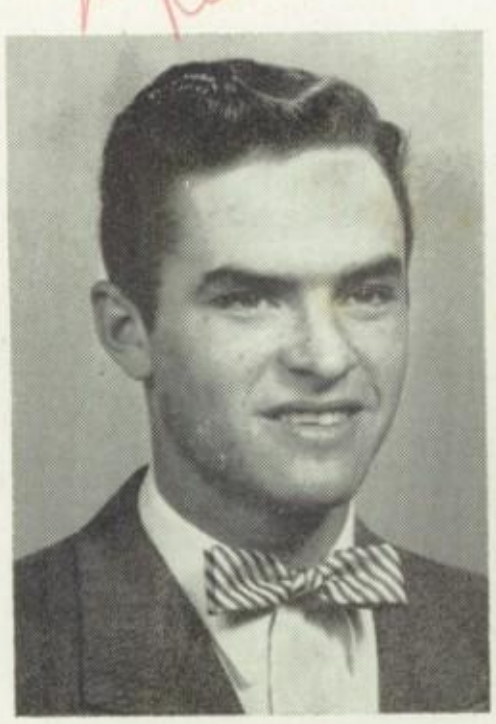
I always come in with the milkman.
Football Attendant 1; Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics 4; Searchlight Staff 4.

Lola Moore "Loco"

To argue is in my line.
Searchlight Staff 4; Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Club 1, 2; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4.

Phyllis Mette "Phil"

I'll not budge an inch.
Searchlight Staff 4; Pep Squad Treasurer 3, 4; Pep Squad 3, 4; FHA President 4; FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Secretary 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3; Barnwarming Attendant 4.



Wayne Myers "Buck"

A man is never in his right mind when he's in love with a girl
FFA Secretary 4; Lettermen's Club 4; FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 3, 4; Dramatics 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4.

Maxine Powell "Max"

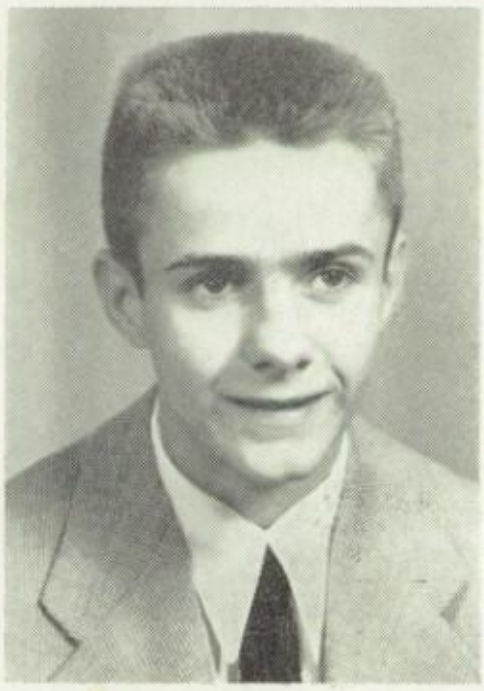
The choicest of life comes in small packages
FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics 3.

Marilyn Ravenscraft "Sunshine"

If she will she will, and you may depend on it. If she won't, she won't, and that's the end of it.
Pep Squad Vice President 4; Library Club 4; Cheerleader 4; Substitute Cheerleader 3; Football Attendant 1; Clarinet quartet 2; Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls Trio 2, 3; Majorette 2, 3; Searchlight Staff 1, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics 3, 4.

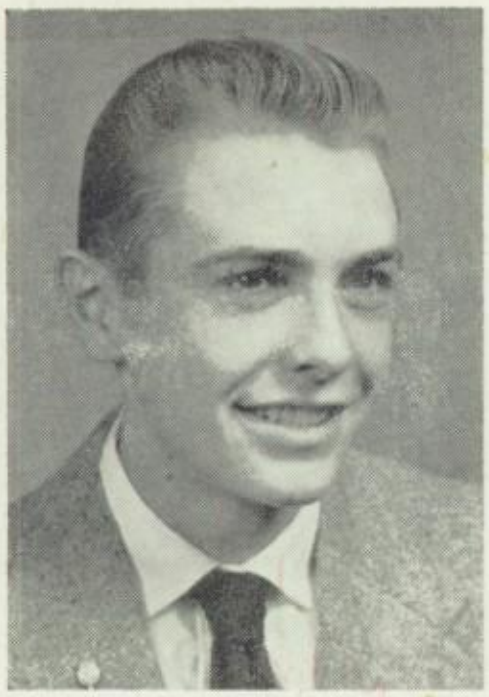
Carolyn Shade "Pug"

I'm interested in wood work.
FHA Parliamentarian 3; Class Secretary 1, 3; Class Treasurer 4; Basketball Attendant 1; Football Attendant 2, 3; Searchlight Staff 4; Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2; Mixed Chorus 1, 2; Basketball 1, 4; Dramatics 4; Newspaper Staff 1.



Jimmie Rounner "Doc"

One at a time girls, don't rush.
Searchlight Staff 4; Lettermen's Club 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4; Searchlight King 4.



Duane Schwada "Feet"

A good student, fair and square, his ways and looks will always wear.
Class President 2; Student Council Vice President 3; Key Club 4; Searchlight Staff 4; Lettermen's Club 4; FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 4; Mixed Chorus 2, 4; Football 4; Dramatics 3.

Married

Benny Snow "Bee"

Always friendly, always just the same, always fair in life's old game.
Searchlight Staff 4; Lettermen's Club 4; Key Club 4; Football 4.

Thelma White

LeRoy Strate "Straight"

Calm and peaceful he treads lifes way
FFA Vice President 4; Searchlight Staff 4; FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics 4.

Earl Darnell

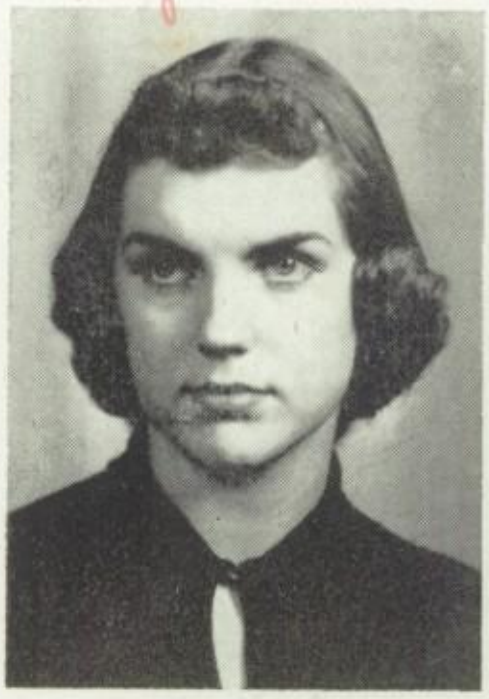
Evelyn Vannice "Vaniece"

Three in one: Dependable, capable and sweet.
Class Reporter 3, 4; Library President 4; Searchlight Staff 4; Library Club 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2; Mixed Chorus 1, 2.

Margaret Tucker "Margo"

She's a girl upon whom you can always depend. Once acquainted, always a friend.
Searchlight Staff 4; Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Library Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 4; Dramatics 3, 4.

Harold Olson (dim) married

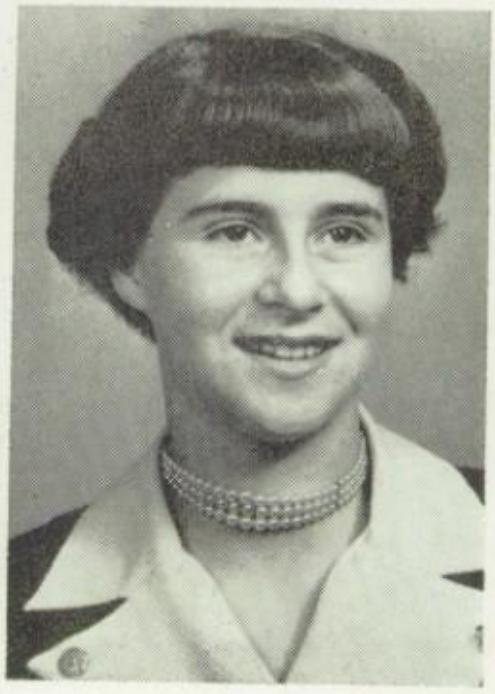


Carol Ann Wegehoft "Wags"

"Generous and fun-loving, full of steam. A leading member of the basketball team."
Bsaketball Attendant 2; FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Barnwarming Attendant 3; Glee Club 1; Basketball Co-Captain 4; Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Dramatics 4; Band 1, 2; Searchlight Staff 4; Football Attendant 3.

Dorothy Wheeler "Dottie"

"She says little but that's no sign she has little to say."
Pep Squad 1, 2, 3, 4; FHA 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus 3, 4; Dramatics 4; Library 2, 3, 4; Library Treasurer 4; Searchlight Staff 4.



Shirley Williams "Shirl"

"Mischevious little imp but serious at times."
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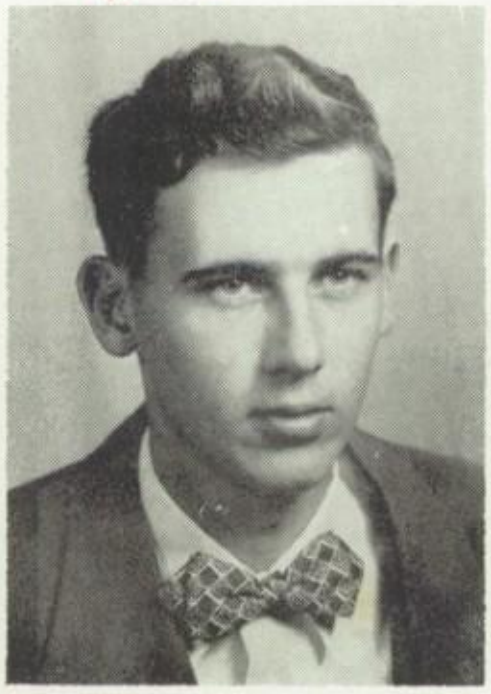
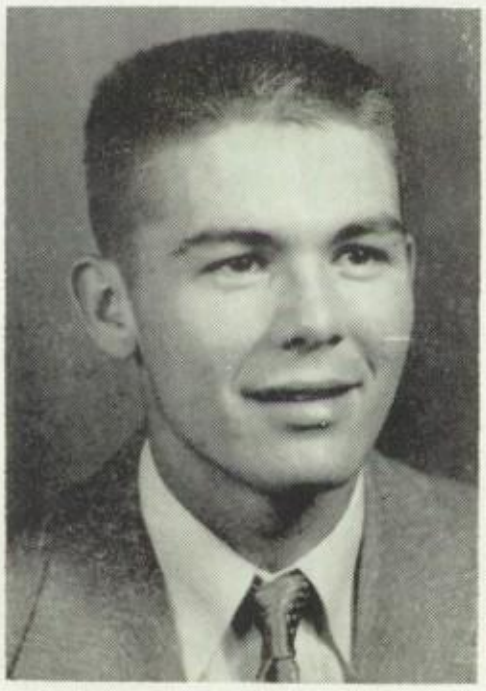


Jerry Yates "Yatsie"

"Sometimes I sit and think and sometimes I just sit."
Searchlight Staff 4; Lettermen's Club 4; FFA 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 4; Basketball 4; Dramatics 3, 4.



Spencer Woodall "Woodie"

"What is life if I couldn't flirt."
Key Club President 4; Student Council 2; Lettermen's Club President 4; Class Vice President 1; Searchlight Staff 4; Lettermen's Club 2, 3, 4; Key Club 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 4; Mixed Chorus 1, 4; Football 2, 3, 4; Dramatics 4.

Senior Class History

In September, 1949, fifty-seven freshmen entered the portals of Palmyra High School to begin their high school career. We were a little shy at first but soon became acquainted and quite at home. Our sponsors for the year were Mrs. Schuckenbrock and Mrs. Ellis. A day never to be forgotten was freshman initiation. We were honored to have one of our class mates, Mabel Claus, elected Carnival Queen.

In September, 1950, fifty-six sophomores began their second year in Palmyra High School. Our sponsors for the year were Mrs. Ellis and Mr. Hulen. Early in the year we initiated the freshmen and also gave them a party. Harold McCormick was chosen to represent the class on the Sophomore Pilgrimage.

In September, 1951, fifty-two juniors started the second half of their high school education. Our sponsors were Mrs. Stewart and Mr. Lewis. We presented the annual junior play, LOVE IS TOO MUCH TROUBLE, on December 7. The biggest event of the year was the Jr.-Sr. Prom in the spring. Carolyn Becker was chosen to attend Girls' State in Fulton. Bob Bier was the representative to Boys' State in Boonville.

In September, 1952, forty-one seniors entered PHS to gain their last year of secondary education. We selected Mrs. Maize and Mr. Hafner as our class sponcors. Our officers for the year were:

President—Harold McCormick — Secretary—Phyllis Mette
Vice-Pres.—Cathy Herring — Treasurer—Carolyn Schade
Student Body President—Roger Feaster
Student Council Girl—Shirley Courtright
Student Council Boy—Donald Bestman

The biggest project of the year was the editing of the Searchlight. Elizabeth Hampton was elected Editor and Edna Knueppel, Assistant Editor. Betty Disselhorst was chosen Searchlight Queen and Jimmy Rouner, Searchlight King. Carolyn Becker was the Football Queen and Margie Gottman attendant. Phyllis Mette, was Senior attendant at the annual Barnwarming. Other events sponsored by the Senior Class were the Senior Play, the Senior Carnival, the Senior trip. At last the long awaited day, Commencement, arrived.

The Seniors of '53 leave PHS with many happy memories of the pleasant and enjoyable days spent there.

Senior Dramatics

First Row—Shirley Anne Courtright, Dean Drebes, Carolyn Schade, Spencer Woodall, Margaret Tucker, Miss Seeger.

Second Row—Edna Knueppel, Marjorie Gottman, Donald Bestman, Wayne Myers, Carol Ann Wagehoft, Marilyn Ravenscraft.

Third Row—Janet Maddox, Carolyn Becker, Jerry Yates, LeRoy Strate, Shirley Williams, Helen Callighan, Leon Drebes.

Senior Play

This year the Seniors chose for their play "A Feudin' Over Yonder" a hill billy comedy in three acts, by Le Roma Rose.

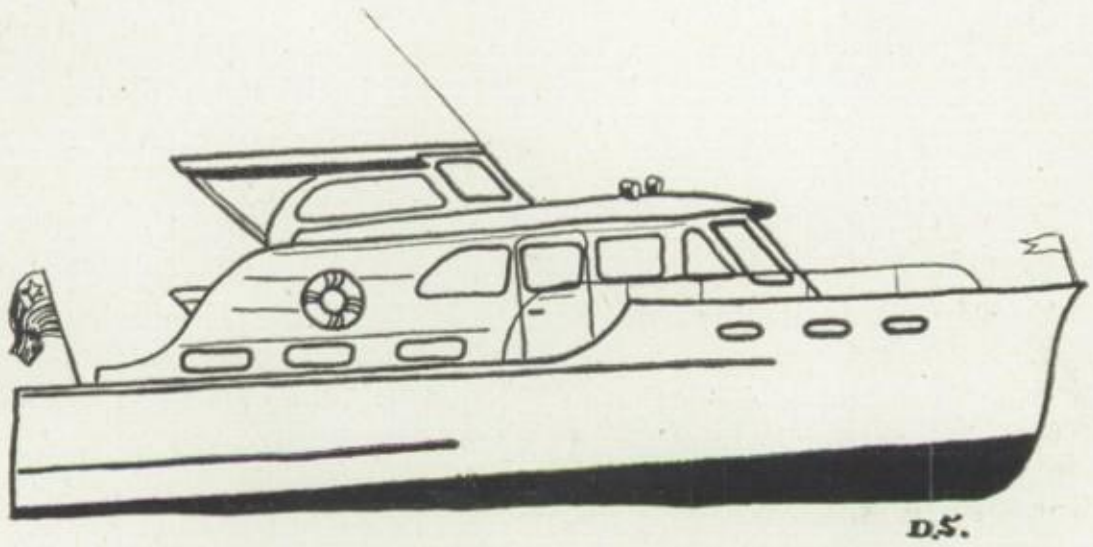
The plot revolves around the Popoff family and the Fry family who have been feuding for years because one of the Popoff boys said he was going out to shoot an old skunk one day and accidentally shot Paw Fry instead. Periodically Mountain Maggie, a legendary character who travels around the hills nursing the sick, must come to patch up someone hurt in the feud. Rosie Belle Fry, being handy with a gun, takes the only unattached male in the hills from under her sister Emmy's nose. Emmy, who'd like to get "hitched," decides she'll end up as an old maid if she doesn't get one of the Popoff boys. But how can she marry someone with whom her family is having a fued? She enlists the aid of Mountain Maggie who's tired of tending to victims of the feud, to put an end to it. Mountain Maggie, wise in the ways of human nature, convinces Maw Fry and Pappy Popoff that some plain sugar water she gives them is a "love potion" which will make them fall in love. They are tired of being lonely and have just about decided to marry and end the feud, when Rosie Belle arrives with the news that it was all a trick. Once more the feud is going full force. In the end, of course, the feud is ended and everybody is happy, but not before there are quite a few merry mixups and ribtickling situations.

The cast consists of the following:

Mountain Maggie ..... Shirley Courtright
Maw Fry ..... Margaret Tucker
Emmy Fry ..... Margie Gottman
Izzie Fry ..... Leon Drebes
Clem Fry ..... Donald Bestman
Rosie Belle Fry ..... Carol Ann Wegehoft
Aunt Harry Hornhonker ..... Carolyn Schade
Becky Mae Hornhonker ..... Shirley Williams
Willy Hornhonker ..... Dean Drebes
Pappy Popoff ..... LeRoy Strate
Zeke Popoff ..... Spencer Woodall

The Travelin' Preacher ..... Wayne Myers
Wedding Guests ..... Dotty Wheeler
Barbara Carter
Janet Maddox
Musicians ..... Jerry Yates
Maurice Kreider
Entertainers ..... Edna Knueppel
Carolyn Becker
Marilyn Ravenscraft
Helen Callighan

Juniors



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Junior Officers

Chester Bross

President
"Three O'clock in the morning."

Irene Hoerr

Vice-President
"Goodnight Irene."

Martha Jane Faxon

Secretary
"Easter Parade."

Norma Jean Donelson

Treasurer
"Pittsburgh Pennsylvania."

Bobby Porter

Reporter
"Concharito in B Minor."

Class History

The beginning of the 1952-53 school year, brought forty-one familiar faces to the classrooms. Our new member being Eugene Riney.

After electing our sponsors, who are Mr. Hagar and Mr. Stanley, the following officers were elected:

President	Chester Bross
Vice-Pres.	Irene Hoerr
Secretary	Martha Jane Faxon
Treasurer	Norma Jean Donelson
Reporter	Bobby Porter
Student Council Girl Member	Carolyn Turner
Student Council Boy Member	Jackie Kimberley

We are also proud to have Sonny Kroeger, a fellow classman, as Vice-President of the Student Council.

Our football attendants were Norma Jean Knueppel, and Martha Jane Faxon. The whole class put forth a lot of effort to make a first place prize-winning float. In the fall, followinb our football season, we had Marie Lochman as our Barnwarming Attendant.

We did very well on selling magazines to make money for our Prom. Jackie Kimberley was chairman, with Sonny Kroeger, and Norma Jean Donelson being team captains. Sonny's side, being the losing team had to give Norma Jean's team a party.

We hope that our Senior year brings as much fun, and success as our Junior year.

Mary Lou Bates

"Smoke Gets in Your Eyes."

Austin Boulware

"Blues In The Night.'

Jay Dee Callighan

"It Takes Two To Tango."

Donald Dunlap

"Slaughter on Tenth Avenue"

Robert Frankenbach

"Detour."

Mary Alice Godman

"You Two Timed Me Four Times Too Often."

Jean Gottman

"Let it Snow Let It Snow Let It Snow."

Jack Hackworth

"Tears In My Beer."

Jack Haydon

"Lovebug Itch."

Donald Hoehne

"Because of You"

Robert Hoffmeister

"Kiss Me Once."

Delbert Hoteling

"Idaho."

Shirley Jagger

"Skaters Waltz."

Louise Kaden

"The Roving Kind."

Melba Kaden

"I'll See You In My Dreams."

Norma Jean Knueppel

"Brown Eyes."

Jackie Kimberley

"Green Silk Stockings and Red Perfume."

Arthur Kroeger

"It's a Grand Old Name."

Marie Lochman

"Be My Love."

Lois Loy

"Silver Threads Among the Gold."

Betty McKee

"Ruby And A Pearl"

Eldon Mette

"Singin' In The Rain."

Gene Meyers

"Indian Love Call."

Marita Meyer

"I Can Dream, Can't I"

Ronnie Meyers

"Jumbalaya"

Betty Ruth Minor

"Back Seat Affair."

Jimmy Nix

"It's In The Book."

Wilma Pindell

"Hot Rod Race II"

Eugene Riney

"White Christmas"

Pat Sorrell

"Honky Tonk Angel."

Bessie Spratt

"Mule Train"

Tommy Sutterfield

"Girl of My Dreams."

Phyllis Thomas

"I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus."

Carolyn Turner

"Chocolate Ice Cream Cone"

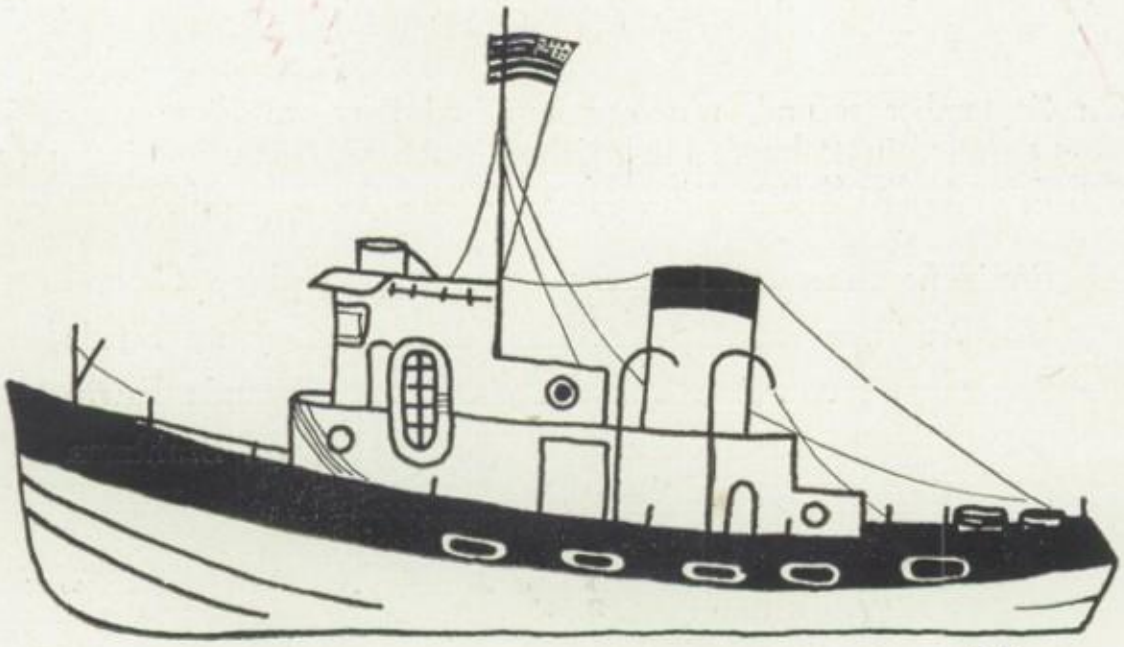
Shirley White

"Shotgun Boogie."

Marilyn Willis

"Marilyn"

Sophomores



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Sophomore Officers

Rodney Carlson

President
baseball star

Janet Shade

Vice-President
be a dogcatcher

Wanda Irwin

Secretary
a wealthy man

Lynn Stuhlman

Treasurer
to be a doctor

Anita Wesley

Reporter
be a ballet

Class History

"WHAT I WANT OUT OF LIFE"

On September second, nineteen hundred fifty-two there were forty-eight Sophomores enrolled in Palmyra High School. At our first class meeting, we elected Mrs. Ellis and Miss Seeger as our sponsors, and the following officers:

President ---------- Rodney Carlson
Vice-President ---------- Janet Shade
Secretary ---------- Wanda Erwin
Treasurer ---------- Lynn Stuhlman
Reporter ---------- Anita Wesley
Student Council Girl ---------- Lois Krieder
Student Council Boy ---------- Cecil Peters

Our first project was to initiate the freshmen. We also gave them a party afterward, which was enjoyed by everyone.

Lois Krieder was crowned Barnwarming Queen with Marilyn Moore as attendant. Our attendants to the football queen were Imogene Hecht, Wanda Erwin, and the attendant to the basketball queen was Karen Ravenscraft.

The Sophomores have taken part in all school activities and we feel we have been a successful and worthwhile class in Palmyra High School. We hope to do as well our Junior year.

Jerry Bergman

convertible

Enoch Bridgman

a bird-dog

John Burditt

a drivers license

Gary Christopher

scientist

Jimmie Clark

owl hunter

Roberta Crane

truck driver

Carletta Disselhorst

stay sweet

Jack Dye

be a Romeo

Mary Elliott

trapeze star

Donald Feaster

Bull Durham

Marjorie Foster

a man

Ronald Gottman

a big farm

Annie Hathaway

prize fighter

Imogene Hecht

be a stool pigeon

Keith Heidbreder

drive a hot rod

Glenna Hoenes

to be an artist

Richard Johnson

live on easy street

Jackie Kolthoff

to be a full-back

Lois Kreider

to fly an air-plane

Charles Lake

Alice in wonderland

Eileen Logan

to be Jumbo size

Alice McCormick

be by a lake

Marilyn Moore

to be a waitress

Elsie Neff

be a circus clown

Donald Nelson

play the piano

Mary Lou Nelson

ride the bus

Robert Pieter

be a track star

Carl Pieter

chew gum

Cecil Peters

be a bouncer

Johnny Ragar

to be 6' tall

Peggy Ralston

go to modern dance

Karen Ravenscraft

get along with Marilyn

Don Reagen

move to Tennessee

Martha Schade

to get my L. D. degree

Donald Schaller

to grow

Frederick Schwada

have feet like Duane

Lawrence Snodgrass

travel to the Smokies"

LeRoy Taylor

a new tractor

Jack Triplett

be a boxer

Gerry White

be a wrestler

Jeane White

tell funny jokes

Thelma White

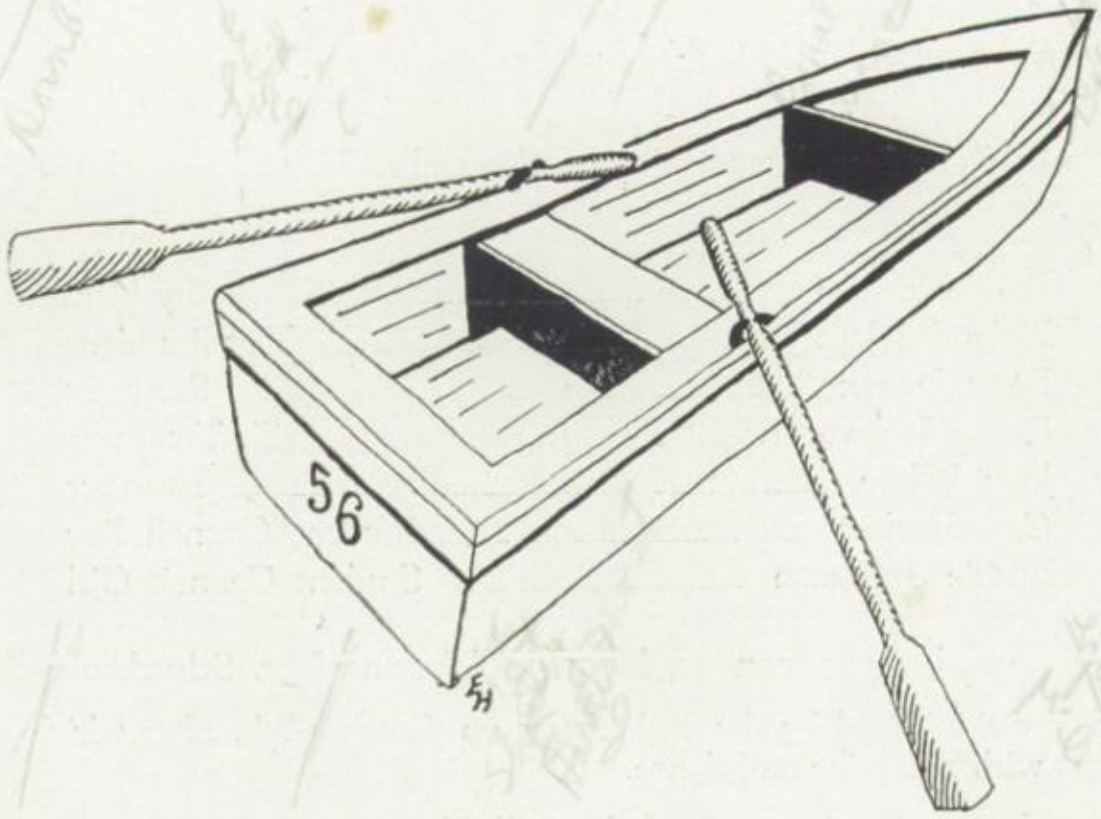
to wear lovelace all my life

J. Bernard Zoller

mop girls dressing room

WE'LL GIVE THEM A GOOD SHELLACKING
SOPHOMORE

Freshmen



Freshmen Officers

Judy Durham	Richard Meyer	Betty Lomax	Jerry Hackworth	Joan White
President To have a "feast"	Vice-President To be a drum major	Secretary Be a hula dancer	Treasurer Go to Monroe tournaments	Reporter To be good in study hall

Class History

"MY AMBITIONS"

On September 2, 1952, fifty-five freshmen entered Palmyra High for the first time.

We held our first class meeting on September 8th and elected the following officers:

Judy Durham ---------- President
Richard Meyer ---------- Vice-President
Betty Lomax ---------- Secretary
Jerry Hackworth ---------- Treasurer
Joan White ---------- Reporter
Carl Hoehne ---------- Student Council Boy
Ruthie Stuhlman ---------- Student Council Girl

We selected as our sponsors, Mrs. McClain and Mrs. Schuckenbrock.

We were initiated by the sophomores on October 7th, after which they entertained us with a hayride and dance.

As a class project it was decided to sell Christmas cards. A net profit of almost $100 was made on this.

We worked hard on our homecoming float, and although it did not win a prize, we were proud of our work.

Our attendants to the various queens were: Judy Durham and Betty Lomax, Football; Carol Kroeger, Barnwarming; Patricia Hirner, Basketball.

We have had a lot of fun as freshmen and are looking forward to being sophomores next year.

Kenneth Ball

Plav maior league ball

Winona Chamberlain

Be best forward on basketball team

Donna DeLaporte

Go on a vacation

Maurice Disselhorst

To stay out of the office

Charles Dunkle

To play halfback

Wanda Farmer

To be a farmers wife

Donald Frohn

Be a basketball star

Robert Goodwin

To stay in science

Mariam Gottman

To be a home -ec. teacher

Barbara Hadfield

Take Mrs. Schuckenbrock's place

Elsie Hathaway

To be a Reese driver

Carmen Hayden

To be graceful

Patricia Hirner

To see Snow

Carl Hoehne

To be a splinter

William Hofmeister

To raise cattle

Peggy Hubbard

Catch a man

Travis Irick

To step on suede shoes

Anita Lucas

To be six feet tall

Eunice Kaden

For people to know me

Herbert Kaden

To be an Einstein

Sandra Kespohl

To have a low voice

Maurice Knueppel

To stay out of elevators

Carol Ann Kroeger

To ride a motorcycle

Rosemary Larenson

Be a rodeo rider

Lloyd Lovelace

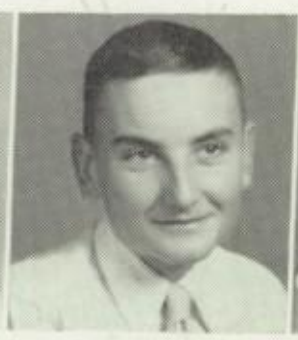
To be with a red-head

Sue Peters

Flirt in study hall

Anita Potterfield

To miss school



Duane Reese

To get math with Spratt

Marie Riney

To have a smaller basketball suit

Lee Schluckebier

To be a football player

Dottye Schneider

To bleach my hair

Kenneth Smith

Play with the Globetrotters

Darlene Spratt

To keep smiling

Ruth Ann Stuhlman

To always be sweet

Robert Teel

To get my math

Willa Terrill

Go skiing

Janice Tharp

To quit losing things

Betty Jane Vaillancourt

To be tall

Ann Ward

To be a model

Carole White

To be a singer

Rita White

To quit school

Bob Wilson

To be a fighter

Francis Schwartz

Be a tinsmith

Sandra Chatfield

To take speech

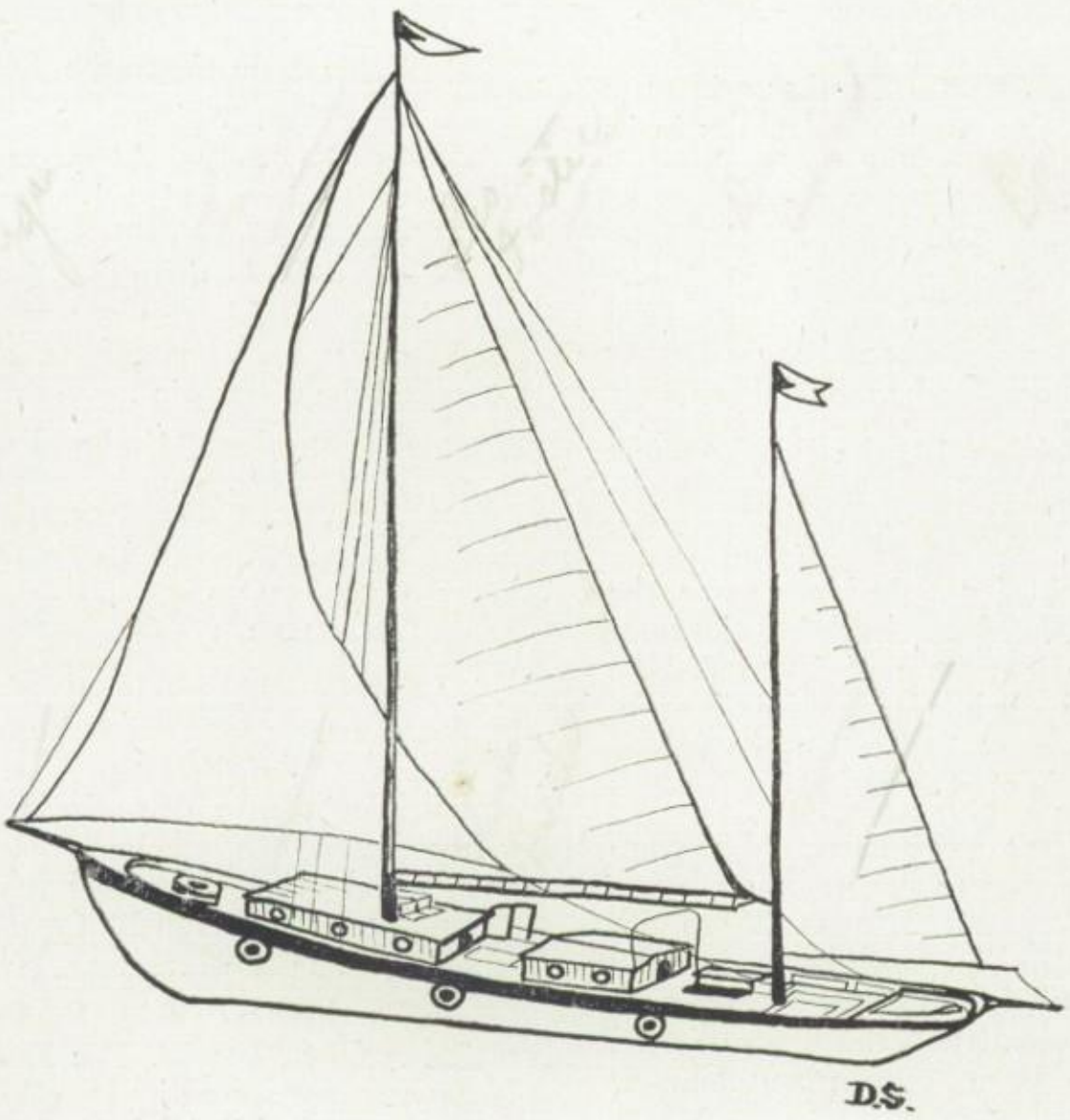
Ann Spaulding

June Franklin

Just before the crowning

MCCOOEY-YOU MISSED
THE BOAT
THE CAROLYN
QUEEN

Sports



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Front Row, left to right—R. Feaster, Woodall, Nix, B. Johnson, Kroeger, Snow, D. Drebes, Myers, Sutterfield, C. Hayden.
Second Row, left to right—Buckwalter, Bestman, Schwada, Bross, J. Haydon, Dye, R. Johnson, D. Feaster, Callighan, Teel.
Third Row, left to right—Davis, L. Drebes, Stuhlman, Lake, Frankenbach, Burditt, Disselhorst,Christopher, Bridgman.
Top row, left to right—Student Manager Gary Million, Coach Hafner, Coach Speak, Student Manager Danny Hampton.

Football Highlights

The 1952 Palmyra Panther grid team faced one of the toughest schedules in its history. With only seven returning lettermen, a squad of 26 griders lead the Panthers to a 4 won, 5 lost, 1 tie record.

Their season opened against Brookfield who won by a 7-6 score. Roger Feaster scored the lone Panther touchdown.

On September 19, the Panthers met the Shelbina Indians whose spread formation won for them, 20-0.

In their third straight home game, the Panthers defeated an undefeated Centralia team by a score of 12 to 7. The first Panther touchdown was by Bestman. Bill Johnson crashed over for the second Panther touchdown.

In their first game away, the Panthers journeyed to Macon for their homecoming game. Macon won 26 to 18. The first Panther touchdown was by tackle Wayne Myers on a recovered fumble. The second and third were scored on passes to Don Bestman and Chester Bross.

When the Panthers journeyed to Louisiana they never dreamed they wouldn't end the game. After three and one-half quarters of very doubtful officiating Coach Hafner very wisely withdrew his team from the field and protested the game.

In the annual Homecoming game, the Panthers played the McCooey Shamrocks. In a well-matched game, the Panthers fought them to a 7 to 7 tie. The Palmyra touchdown was scored by Duane Schwada on a pass from Feaster, who scored the extra point.

On October 24, the Panthers journeyed to Mexico to meet the Bulldogs, who showed a strong offensive in long touchdown runs. The final score was 31 to 6. Roger Feaster scored the Palmyra touchdown.

In their biggest upset of the season, the Panthers met the Fulton Hornets, at Fulton. Don Bestman scored the first touchdown on a pass play. Roger Feaster scored two touchdowns on an end run and a pass from Bill Johnson. The final score was 22 to 12, favor of Palmyra.

In the last home game of the season, the Panthers won from St. Peters of Jefferson City 32 to 27. The Palmyra touchdowns were scored by Don Bestman, Roger Feaster and Bill Johnson.

The Palmyra Panthers ended their grid season by meeting the Hannibal Pirates at Hannibal. The game was won by Panthers, 14 to 6, with touchdowns scored by Bill Johnson and Roger Feaster.

Roger Feaster

Senior
Co-captain
Halfback
Years Lettered 4

Spencer Woodall

Senior
Tackle
Years Lettered 3

Billy Johnson

Senior
Co-captain
Quarterback-End
Years Lettered 4

Benny Snow

Senior
Fullback-Guard
Years Lettered 1

Donald Bestman

Senior
Left end
Years Lettered 1

Wayne Myers

Senior
Tackle
Years Lettered 1

Duane Schwada

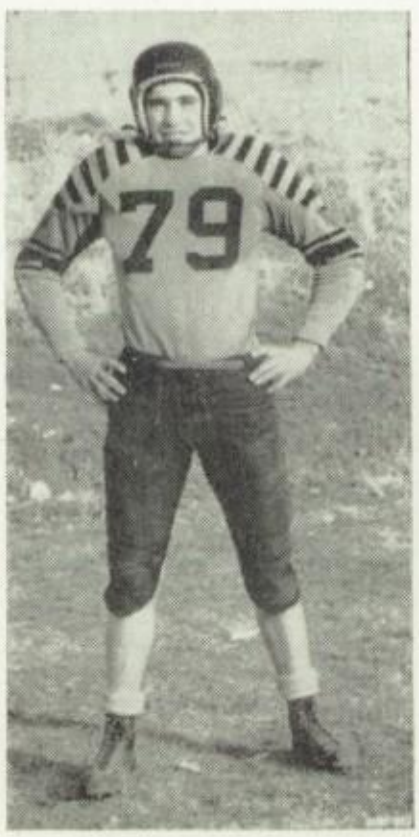
Senior
End
Years Lettered 1

Jerry Yates

Senior
Tackle
Years Lettered 1

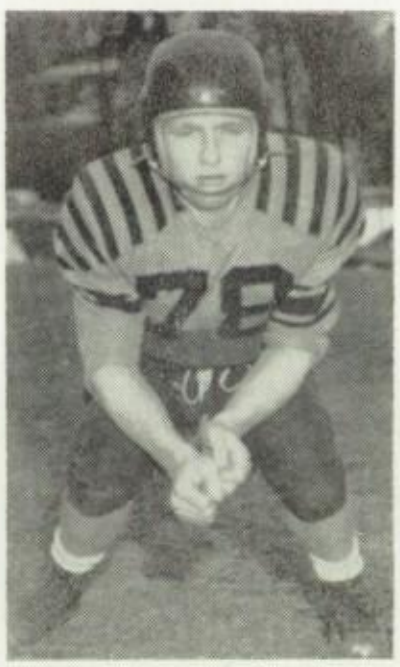
Jerry Davis

Senior
Center
Years Lettered 1



Leon Drebes

Senior
Guard
Years Lettered 1

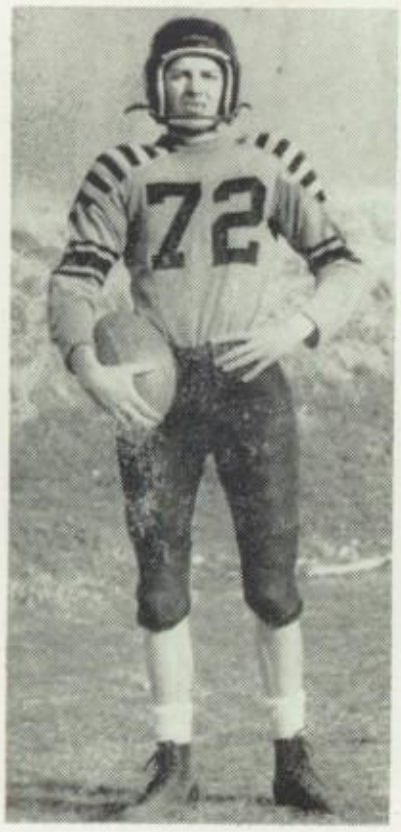


Dean Drebes

Senior
Guard
Years Lettered 2

Chester Bross

Junior
Quarterback
Years Lettered 1



Jackie Haydon

Junior
Quarterback
Years Lettered 1

Lynn Stuhlman

Sophomore
End
Years Lettered 1

Jimmie Nix

Junior
Halfback
Years Lettered 1

Sonny Kroeger

Junior
Center
Years Lettered 2

Donald Feaster

Sophomore
Halfback
Years Lettered 1

Jackie Dye

Sophomore
Halfback
Years Lettered 1

Charles Lake

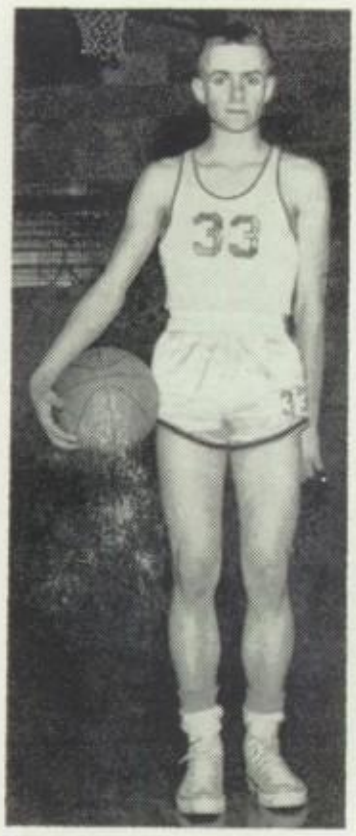
Sophomore
Guard
Years Lettered 1

First Row: Donald Feaster, Jack Dye, Eugene Riney, Roger Feaster, Jimmy Rouner, Jimmy Nix, Johnny Rager
Second Row: Jerry Yates, Lynn Stuhlman, Johnny Bier, Donald Hoehne, Tommy Sutterfield, Billy Johnson, Ronnie Carlson, Jackie Haydon

The 1952-53 Palmyra Panther basketball team opened its season with four returning lettermen: Jim Rouner, John Bier, Bill Johnson and Roger Feaster. After a slow start, Coach Hafner's Panthers started to roll in high gear. After failing to place in their first two tournaments, the Panthers fought their way through the Palmyra Tourney and came out with the first place trophy. The other two tourneys in which the Panthers failed to place, were: the Monroe City Tourney, and the Mark Twain tourney at Hannibal. This year's boys team was one of the best seen at Palmyra High in several years.

TEAM	WE	THEY	HIGH POINT	
Ewing	44	57	Bier	9 points
LaGrange	50	31	Feaster	14 points
Monroe City	39	60	Rouner	14 points
Kahoka	46	39	Feaster	16 points
Canton	61	53	Feaster	18 points
Lewistown	48	52	Johnson	17 points
Troy	53	72	Feaster	19 points
LaBelle	55	57	Johnson	18 points
Ewing	67	56	Feaster	17 points
LaGrange	65	55	Johnson	24 points
Kahoka	68	74	Johnson	20 points
Canton	76	54	Yates	19 points
McCooey	61	58	Feaster	15 points
Lewistown	65	52	Johnson	29 points
LaBelle	66	59	Johnson	22 points
Macon	42	43	Johnson	17 points
McCooey	62	54	Feaster	16 points

First Row: Ronnie Carlson, Bill Johnson, Roger Feaster, Donald Hoehne, John Bier, Lynn Stuhlman
Second Row: Jim Nix, Jack Dye, Johnny Rager, Jim Rouner, Jack Haydon.
Third Row: Eugene Riney, Donald Feaster, Jerry Yates, Tommy Sutterfield.
Fourth Row: Coach Hafner



Jim Rouner

Senior
Years Lettered 2

John Bier

Senior
Years Lettered 3

Bill Johnson

Senior
Years Lettered 4

Roger Feaster

Senior
Years Lettered 3

Gerald Yates

Senior
Years Lettered 1

Tommy Sutterfield

Junior
Years Lettered 1

Donald Hoehne

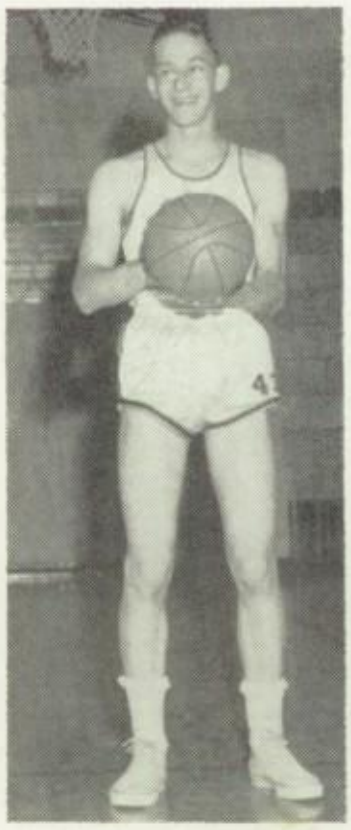
Junior
Years Lettered 1

Jack Haydon

Junior
Years Lettered 1

Jack Dye

Sophomore
Years Lettered 1



Lynn Stuhlman

Sophomore
Years Lettered 1

Donald Feaster
Sophomore

Jimmy Nix
Junior

Girls' Basketball

First Row: Janet Shade, Margaret Tucker, Lola Moore, Judy Durham, Carol Wegehoft, Marie Riney, Donna Chamberlain, Roberta Crane.

Second Row: Norma Jean Donelson, Jean Gottman, Carolyn Schade, Janet Maddox, Ruth Ann Stuhlman, Alice McCormick, Wanda Erwin, Winona Chamberlain.

The 1952-53 basketball season started with four returning lettermen. They were Jean Gottman, Carol Ann Wegehoft, Norma Donelson and Lola Moore. At the close of the season 10 girls lettered, of these four girls are seniors and so next year's team will have six lettermen to start.

Below is the season's record:

SEASON'S RECORD

Team	We	They
Ewing	25	52
LaGrange	34	47
Monroe	35	55
Kahoka	34	46
Canton	33	21
Lewistown	31	45
La Belle	29	59
Ewing	39	36
LaGrange	40	81
Kahoka	41	57
Canton	42	39

The graduating players would like to wish the best of luck to the players of the coming season. We would also like to thank Mr. Speak for his help and loyalty through the basketball season.

Carolyn Schade

Co-captain
Senior
Lettered 1 year
Guard

Carol Wegehoft

Co-captain
Senior
Lettered 3 years
Forward

Jean Gottman

Junior
Lettered 2 years
Forward

Marie Riney

Freshman
Lettered 1 year
Forward

Lola Moore

Senior
Lettered 2 years
Guard

Roberta Crane

Sophomore
Lettered 1 year
Guard

Norma Donelson

Junior
Lettered 2 years
Guard

Janet Shade

Sophomore
Lettered 1 year
Forward

Alice McCormick

Sophomore
Lettered 1 year
Guard

Janet Maddox

Senior
Lettered 1 year
Forward

Ruth A. Stuhlman

Freshman
Guard

Winona Chamberlain

Freshman
Forward

Tournament Winners

The highlight of the basketball season was the Tenth Annual Tournament. There were twenty-nine teams entered, fifteen teams in the boys division and fourteen in the girls division.

Th winners in the girls division:

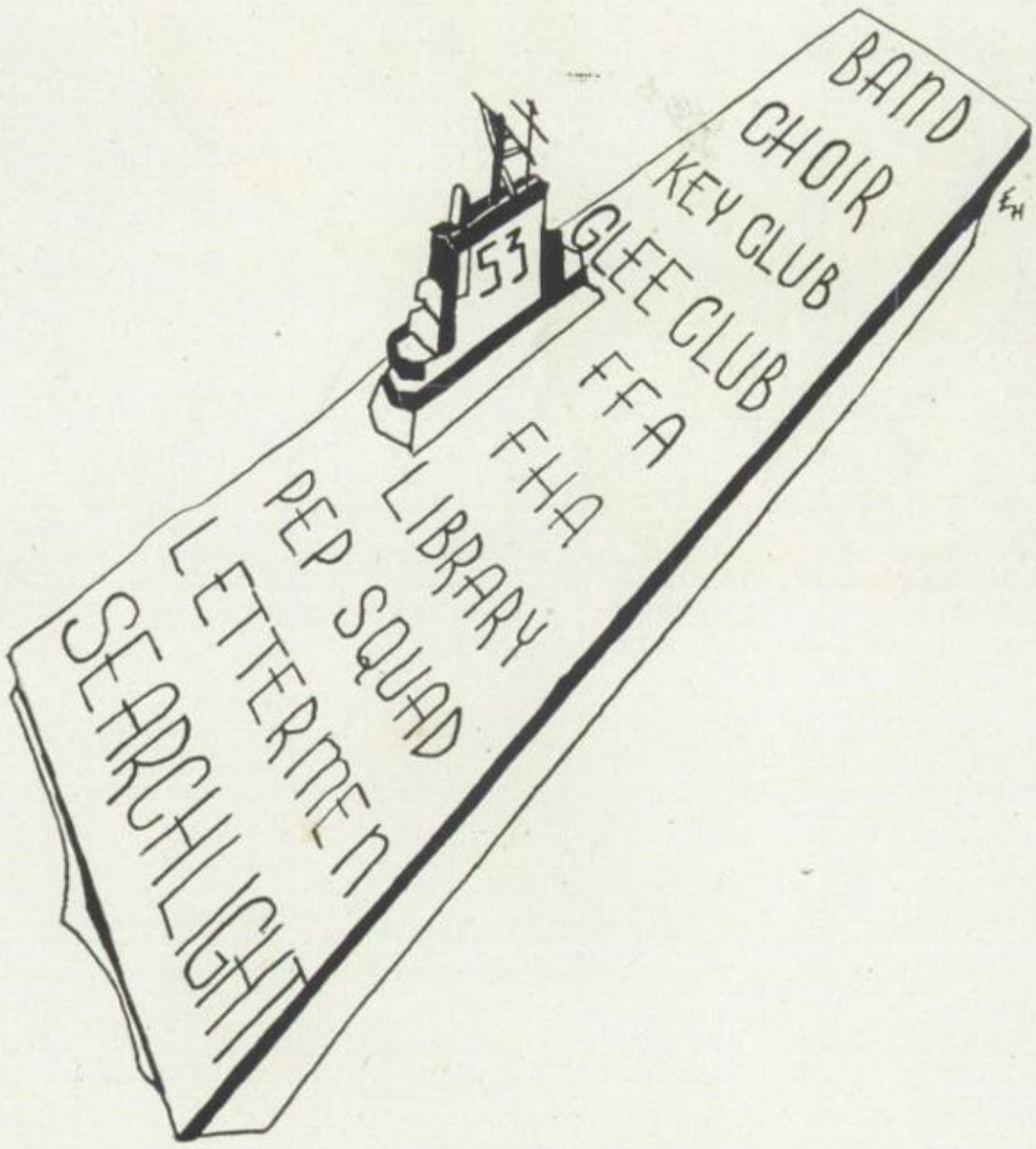
LaPlata	First
LaGrange	Second
Monroe City	Third
LaBelle	Consolation

The winners in the boys division were:

Palmyra	First
Lewistown	Second
LaPlata	Third
Kahoka	Consolation

Each year the tournament has been a great success and each year seems better. There was no doubt that this year was one of the best, if not the best. This tourney affords the audience a chance to see some excellent basketball as well as affording to the student bodies a chance to develop lasting friendships.

Organizations



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Elizabeth Hampton, Editor

Edna Knueppel, Assistant Editor

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Row 2: Elizabeth Hampton, Edna Knueppel, Marjorie Gottman, Donald Bestman, Wayne Myers, Carol Wegehoft, Marilyn Ravenscraft, Mary Bohon.
Row 3: Janet Maddox, Carolyn Becker, Jerry Yates, LeRoy Strate, Shirley Williams, Helen Callighan, Leon Drebes.
Row 4: Margaret Conner, Lola Moore, Maxine Powell, Evelyn Vannice, Betty Disselhorst, Phyllis Mette,
Row 5: John Bier, Roger Feaster, Duane Schwada, Harold McCormick, Jimmie Rouner, Benny Snow
Not present for picture—Cathy Herring, Ruth Bockhold, Barbara Carter, Billy Johnson.

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Row 1: Betty Disselhorst, Betty Ruth Minor, Shirley Anne Courtright, Karen Ravenscraft, Marilyn Ravenscraft, Marita Meyer, Phyllis Mette, Carolyn Becker.
Row 2: Miss Seeger, Mary Godman, Jean Gottman, Shirley White, Pat Sorrell, Carolyn Turner, Lois Loy, Mary Bohon, Margaret Tucker.
Row 3: Norma Donelson, Elizabeth Hampton, Edna Knueppel, Margie Gottman, Carolyn Schade, Lola Moore, Janet Schade, Alice McCormick.
Row 4: Jerry Hackworth, Martha Faxon, Peggy Ralston, Margaret Conner, Roberta Crane, Carol Wegehoft, Martha Schade, Wanda Erwin.
Row 5: Marilyn Willis, Rita White, Joan White, Ruth Ann Stuhlman, Marie Riney, Judy Durham, Betty Lomax, Anita Wesley, Janet Maddox
Row 6: Ronnie Meyers, Carole White, Norma Knueppel, Dottie Wheeler, Carletta Disselhorst, Carol Ann Kroeger, Betty Vaillancourt, Dottie Schneider, Jeane White.
Not Present: Cathy Herring, Barbara Carter.

CHEERLEADERS

Marita Meyer, Marilyn Ravenscraft, Karen Ravenscraft, Shirley Courtright

The purpose of this organization is to support the football team and basketball teams at all games.

The Pep Squad voted new members into the club at the beginning of the year, making a total of 54 members in this organization.

The officers for this year are as follows:

President ---------- Cathy Herring
Vice President ---------- Marilyn Ravenscraft
Secretary ---------- Carolyn Becker
Treasurer ---------- Phyllis Mette
Reporter ---------- Betty Disselhorst

The Cheerleaders are Shirley Courtright, Marilyn Ravenscraft, Karen Ravenscraft and Marita Meyers. Betty Minor is the substitute cheerleader. Our sponsor is Miss Jean Seeger.

We participated in the coronation of the football queen, and other activities.

LETTERMEN'S CLUB

Row 1: Roger Feaster, sec. & treas.; Spencer Woodall, Pres.; Sonny Kroeger, Sherman Hafner
Row 2: Donald Bestman, Dean Drebes, Duane Schwada, Wayne Myers, Leon Drebes
Row 3: Charles Lake, Lynn Stuhlman, Jack Dye, Don Feaster, Jimmy Nix
Row 4: Chester Bross, Jimmy Rouner, Benny Snow, John Bier, Jerry Yates

The Lettermen's Club started this year with eight members returning from last year. At the annual Fall Festival, the Lettermen's Club had the basketball stand. The proceeds from the stand went into the Club's activity fund.

After the football season the following lettermen were voted into the club:

Charles Lake, Lynn Stuhlman, Jack Dye, Don Feaster, Jim Nix, Don Bestman, Duane Schwada, Wayne Myers, Leon Drebes, Chester Bross, Benny Snow, and Jerry Yates.

The Club journeyed to Columbia, Missouri to see the game between Missouri and Southern Methodist.

The following are officers elected for '52-'53:

President ---------- Spencer Woodall
Vice-President ---------- Bill Johnson
Secretary-Treasurer ----------Roger Feaster

FUTURE HOMEMAKERS of AMERICA

Row 1: Mrs. Maize, sponsor; Marita Meyer; Irene Hoerr, Lois Loy, Phyllis Mette, Ronnie Meyers, Jean Gottman, Pat Sorrell, Betty Minor,

Row 2: Jean White, Carole White, Janet Maddox, Margaret Conner, Roberta Crane, Lola Moore, Carolyn Schade, Barbara Hatfield, Anita Potterfield

Row 3: Louise Kaden, Imogene Hecht, Elsie Neff. Wanda Farmer, Margie Gottman, Edna Knueppel, Shirley Courtright, Mary Bohon, Carolyn Becker

Row 4: Shirley Jagger, Mary Lou Nelson, Shirley Williams, Carletta Disselhorst, Betty Disselhorst, Dottie Wheeler, Mary Godman, Jerry Hackworth, Martha Jane Faxon, Norma Donelson, Anita Wesley

Row 5: Anita Lucas, Elsie Hathaway, Miriam Gottman, Peggy Hubbard, Phyllis Thomas, Rosemary Larenson, Marilyn Moore, Helen Callighan, Lois Kreider, Pat Hirner, Ann Ward

Row 6: Sandra Chatfield. Shirley White, Carolyn Turner, Marilyn Willis, Willa Terrill, Sandra Kesphol, Ruth Elliott, Eunice Kaden; Donna DeLaporte, Maxine Powell, Gerrie White, Janet Shade

Row 7: Martha Schade, Thelma White, Peggy Ralston, Darlene Spratt, Sue Peters, Bessie Spratt, Norma Knueppel, Marie Lochman, Melba Kaden, Carol Wegehoft, Marilyn Ravenscraft, Margaret Tucker

Row 8: Karen Ravenscraft, Wanda Erwin, Alice McCormick, Carol Kroeger, Betty Vaillancourt, Dottye Schneider, Janice Tharp, Joan White, Ruth Stuhlman, Betty Lomax, Marie Riney, Judy Durham

The Future Homemakers of America is an organization made up of girls who are interested in Home Economics. The chapter in Palmyra his 85 members this year. At our first meeting we elected officers and Club Mothers as follows:

President	Phyllis Mette
Vice-President	Ronnie Meyers
Secretary	Lois Loy
Treasurer	Jean Gottman
Reporter	Irene Hoerr
Historian	Pat Sorrell
Parliamentarian	Marita Meyer

Our Club Mothers are: Mrs. Roy Courtright, Mrs. Lawrence Shade, Mrs. Louie Schade and Mrs. R. L. Meyer. Our advisor is Mrs. Maize.

At the beginning of the year, we held a covered dish supper for our mothers and at this supper, we installed the new officers and initiated thirty-two members.

Each year we have several activities in which the club participates. In the fall we exhibited at the Palmyra Fall Festival. At Christmas we held a formal dance. The gym was brightly decorated and we had a large Christmas tree. We danced to the music of Maurice Menge.

To make money this year we sold Christmas cards and ran the lunchroom during the basketball tournament. We decided to have a Valentine dance February 14, and at the end of February we had a square dance.

In March we joined with the Ag boys to have our annual banquet for our parents.

We have had a lot of success this year and are looking forward to taking F. H. A. again next year.

F. F. A.

Row 1: Mr. Floyd Hager, sponsor; Jimmy Nix, Jerry Yates, LeRoy Strate, John Bier, Wayne Myers, Leon Drebes.

Row 2: Sonny Kroeger, Chester Bross, Robert Frankenbach, Eldon Mette, Donald Nelson, Enoch Bridgman, Jack Kolthoff, Bobby Teel:

Row 3: Robert Hofmeister, Jackie Kimberley, Cecil Peters, Delbert Hoteling, Gene Riney, Ronnie Carlson, Freddie Schwada, Ronald Gottman, Duane Reese.

Row 4: John Burditt, Lee Schluckebier, Lloyd Lovelace, Maurice Knueppel, Jay Dee Callighan, Travis Irick, Jack Triplett, Lawrence Snodgrass, Kenneth Smith, William Hofmeister,

Row 5: Gary Christopher, Carl Peiter, Bobby Peters, Francis Schwartz, LeRoy Taylor, Duane Schwada, Maurice Kreider.

PALMYRA FUTURE FARMERS of AMERICA

The Palmyra FFA was under the capable leadership of the following officers the past year: Johnny Bier, President; LeRoy Strate, Vice-President; Wayne Myers, Secretary; Jimmy Nix, Treasurer; Leon Drebes, Reporter; Jerry Yates, Sentinel, and Floyd Hager, Adviser.

Some of the outstanding activities for the year have been:

The Greenhand Initiation was held last September during which the boys in Vocational Agriculture 1 were initiated into the FFA organization as Greenhands. After the initiation, the chapter enjoyed a watermelon feed.

The annual Barnwarming was held in October, with the traditional decorations of fall leaves, straw fodder, pumpkins, etc. Lois Kreider was crowned Barnwarming Queen by president Johnny Bier. The attendants were as follows: Phyllis Mette, Senior; Marie Lochman, Junior; Marilyn Moore, Sophomore; and Carol Ann Kroeger, Freshman.

The Chapter participated in the following spring activities:

The Parent-Son Banquet in April, the District and State judging contests, and the State FFA Convention at Columbia. Wayne Myers and Leon Drebes are applicants for the degree of state farmer. They receive their degrees at the state FFA Convention.

Th Palmyra FFA and Vocational Agriculture Department was visited in December by Clovis Jones, District Supervisor of N. E. Missouri. The department was commended very highly and rated along with one other school as having the best Farm Mechanics program in N. E. Missouri. We believe that the Future Farmers of today will be the successful farmers of tomorrow.

Library Club

Row 1: Mrs. McClain, sponsor; Marilyn Ravenscraft, Mary Bohon, Evelyn Vannice, Dottie Wheeler, Eileen Logan
Row 2: Janet Shade, Alice McCormick, Irene Hoerr, Annie Hathaway, Imogene Hecht
Row 3: Sandra Kespohl, Margaret Conner, Marilyn Moore, Margaret Tucker

The members of the Library Club are students who enjoy serving as assistants in the school library. Under supervision of Mrs. McClain, our sponsor, we have complete charge of issuing and shelving books and magazines for the entire student body. At the beginning of the school year, we elected the following officers:

President ---------- Evelyn Vannice
Vice President ---------- Ruth Bockhold
Secretary ---------- Eileen Logan
Treasurer ---------- Dottie Wheeler
Reporter ---------- Mary Bohon

We selected our club emblem, an open book together with the lamp of learning. Our club chose this emblem as the center design on our new library pins.

We intend to continue the tradition of sponsoring a book review this spring.

Key Club

Row 1: William Speak, Bill Johnson, Spencer Woodall, Tommy Sutterfield, Edward Devlin.
Row 2: Sonny Kroeger, David Bross, Jim Nix, Jack Haydon, Jack Kimberley, Roger Feaster, Donald Bestman, Benny Snow, Freddie Schwada
Row 3: Jack Dye, Don Feaster, Don Hoehne, Duane Schwada, John Bier, Lynn Stuhlman, Cecil Peters, Harold McCormick, Chester Bross

The Key Club of 1952-53 has been very active. Listed are a few of the projects we have accomplished this year: a sportsmanship trophy for the Quint City Conference in football; a chili supper; plates with Palmyra Panthers on them to put on license plates; a New Year's Eve party.

The following officers were elected to serve the club this year:

President ---------- Spencer Woodall

Vice President ---------- Bill Johnson

Secretary-Treasurer ---------- Tommy Sutterfield

Sponsors are: William Speak and Edward Devlin.

GIRLS CHORUS

Row 1: M. Schade, A. McCormick, E. Hampton, M. Godman, C. Kroeger, B. Vaillancourt, L. Kaden, P. Hirner, M. Tucker, L. Kreider.

Row 2: A. Ward, S. Williams, J. Maddox, L. Moore, R. Crane, M. Conner, B. Hadfield, P. Hubbard, E. Kaden

Row 3: S. Chatfield, C. Turner, R. Meyers, M. Willis, M. Ravenscraft, B. Minor, D. Schneider, M. R. Elliott, S. Kespohl, D. DeLaporte.

Row 4: R. White, C. White, J. White, C. Disselhorst, D. Wheeler, B. Disselhorst, M. L. Nelson, M. Moore, H. Callighan, R. Larenson.

Row 5: M. Kaden, W. Terrill, P. Ralston, G. White, W. Pindell, M. Gottman, D. Spratt, E. Neff, T. White, A. Potterfield, Mr. Stanley, Director.

Row 6: J. White, R. Stuhlman, E. Knueppel, C. Becker, M. Foster, W. Farmer, J. Shade, B. Lomax, A. Lucas, M. Riney, J. Durham.

BOYS' CHORUS

Row 1: C. Peiter, D. Nelson, B. Teel, J. Kolthoff, W. Hofmeister, F. Schwada, H. Kaden.

Row 2: D. Schaller, J. Ragar, D. Reese, L. Taylor, J. Triplett, B. Wilson, K. Smith.

Row 3: B. Peiter, R. Feaster, D. Schwada, S. Woodall, D. Dunlap, L. Schluckebier, G. Christopher

Row 4: J. Callighan, J. Nix, L. Drebes, W. Myers, M. Krieder, Mr. Stanley, Director.

MIXED CHORUS

Row 1: Martha Schade, Alice McCormick, Elizabeth Hampton, Mary Godman, Carol Kroeger, Betty Vaillancourt, Louise Kaden, Pat Hirner, Margaret Tucker, Lois Kreider

Row 2: Ann Ward, Shirley Williams, Janet Maddox, Lola Moore, Roberta Crane, Margaret Conner, Barbara Hadfield, Peggy Hubbard, Eunice Kaden

Row 3: Sandra Chatfield, Carolyn Turner, Ronnie Meyers, Marilyn Willis, Marilyn Ravenscraft, Betty Minor, Dottie Schneider, Mary Elliott, Sandra Kespohl, Donna DeLaporte

Row 4: Rita White, Carole White, Jeane White, Carletta Disselhorst, Dottie Wheeler, Betty Disselhorst, Mary Nelson, Marilyn Moore, Helen Callighan, Rosemary Larenson.

Row 5: Melba Kaden, Willa Terrill, Peggy Ralston, Gerry White, Wilma Pindell, Miriam Gottman, Darlene Spratt, Elsie Neff, Thelma White, Anita Potterfield, Judy Durham.

Row 6: Joan White, Ruth Stuhlman, Edna Knueppel, Carolyn Becker, Marjorie Foster, Wanda Farmer, Janet Shade, Betty Lomax, Anita Lucas, Marie Riney, Mr. Stanley.

Row 7: Carl Peiter, Bobby Peiter, Donald Nelson, Fred Schwada, Maurice Knueppel, Wayne Myers, Leon Drebes, Jack Kolthoff, Jimmy Nix, J. D. Callighan.

Row 8: Herbert Kaden, Donald Schaller, John Ragar, Gary Christopher, LeRoy Taylor, Jack Triplett, Bobby Wilson, Kenneth Smith, Bobby Teel, William Hofmeister.

Row 9: Roger Feaster, Duane Schwada, Spencer Woodall, Donald Dunlap, Duane Reese, Lee Schluckebier

A CAPPELLA CHOIR

Row 1: LeRoy Taylor, Roger Feaster, Donald Dunlap, Donald Nelson, Duane Reese, Bobby Wilson, Marilyn Ravenscraft, Donna DeLaporte, Jean White, Edna Knueppel, Sandra Kespohl, Marjorie Foster, Dottie Schneider.

Row 2: Helen Callighan, Margaret Tucker, Betty Disselhorst, Lois Kreider, Mary Ruth Elliott, Judy Durham, Pat Hirner, Carolyn Becker, Marilyn Moore, Janet Shade, Martha Schade, Elizabeth Hampton, Janet Maddox, Ann Ward.

Row 3: Duane Schwada, Wayne Myers, Maurice Kreider, Jim Nix, Spencer Woodall, Jay Dee Callighan, Leon Drebes.

BAND

Row 1: Dorothy Stuhlman. Maurie Saffarrans, Janet Maddox, Donna Marksbury, Kay Eger, Linda Durham.
Row 2: Whitney Holstine, Raymond Boots, Allen King, Bradley McPike, Buddy King, Jimmy Cissna.
Row 3: Shirley Jagger, Sandra Kespohl, Jeane White, Imogene Hecht, Sally Donelson, Marilyn Ravenscraft
Row 4: Donald Nelson, Maurice Disselhorst, Ernie Boulware, Richard Meyer, Jerry Sears, Jimmy Cary,
Row 5: Jean Gottman, Mary Ruth Elliott, Marita Meyer, Marilyn Willis, Ronnie Meyers, Shirley Lumpe.
Row 6: Norma Donelson, Lynn Stuhlman, Robert Hofmeister, Jack Kimberley, Bobby Porter, Donald Dunlap.
Row 7: Mr. Stanley, director; Ronnie Gottman

The Palmyra High School Band started the 1952-53 school year with good spirits. It lent much color and spirit to the home football games to have our band there. They played at various other functions throughout the year. During the latter part of the year they were busy working on contest numbers for Kirksville.

JUNIOR DRAMATICS

Row 1: Miss Seeger, Pat Sorrell, Bob Hofmeister, Marita Meyer, Jack Kimberley, Shirley White
Row 2: Shirley Jagger, Gene Riney, Mary Alice Godman, Jacky Hackworth, Jean Gottman.
Row 3: Tommy Sutterfield, Norma Jean Donelson, Austin Boulware, Betty Ruth Minor, Bob Porter.

On December 11, 1952, the Junior Dramatics class, under the direction of Miss Jean Seeger presented the 3 act comedy, "CRAZY BUT CUTE."

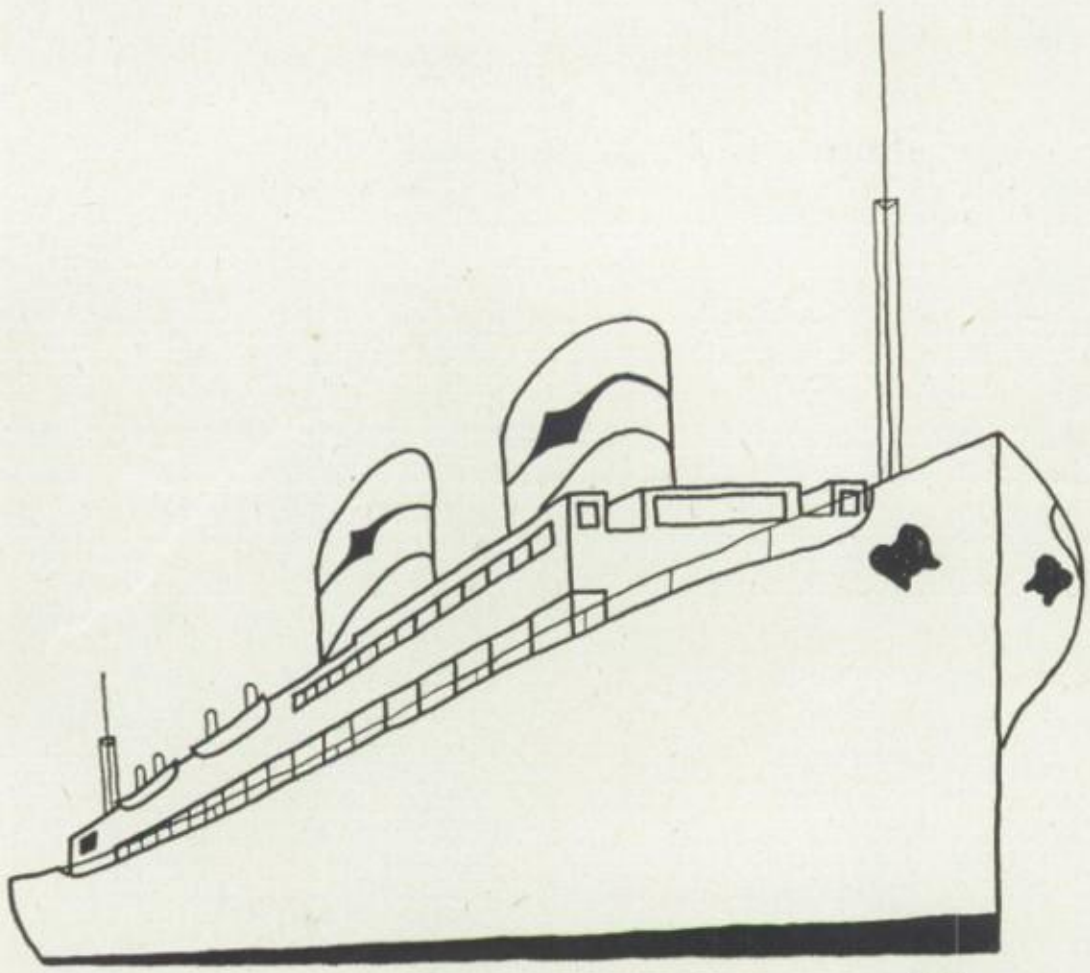
The cast of characters are as follows:

Dan Dover ---------- Bobby Porter
Mrs. Dover ---------- Jean Gottman
Mr. Dover ---------- Austin Boulware
Uncle Joe ---------- Jack Kimberley
"Oscar" Betty Shaw ---------- Pat Sorrell
P. G. Higby ---------- Tom Sutterfield
Susie Higby ---------- Marita Meyer
Phyllis Blake ---------- Betty Ruth Minor
Kathy Brooks ---------- Mary Alice Godman
Mrs. Dopenduffer ---------- Norma Jean Donelson
Gladys Dopenduffer ---------- Shirley White
"Killo" Herman Expy ---------- Bob Hofmeister
Prompter ---------- Shirley Jagger
Stage Manager ---------- Gene Riney
Properties ---------- Jack Hackworth

We feel that our play was a huge success and we had a lot of fun putting it on. Our "Thanks" goes to Miss Seeger for her wonderful cooperation and patience during the rehearsals. She had a lot to put up with, with these "Jolly Juniors."

How can a fellow take three dates dancing and dive for abalone all at the same time? That is just a small part of the problems he and others had that made the play interesting.

Royalty



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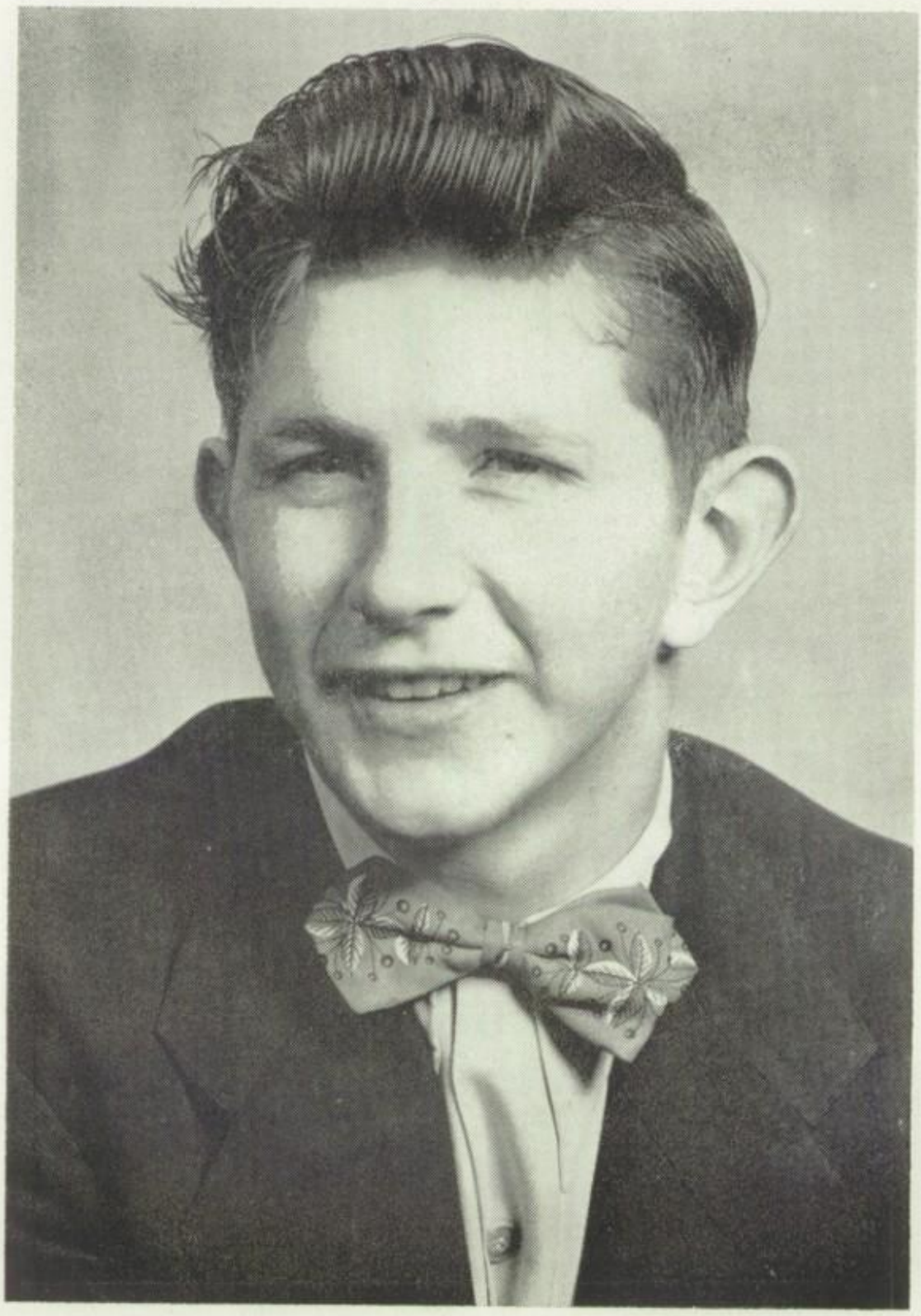
FOOTBALL QUEEN

Carolyn Becker

BARNWARMING QUEEN

Lois Kreider

CARNIVAL KING

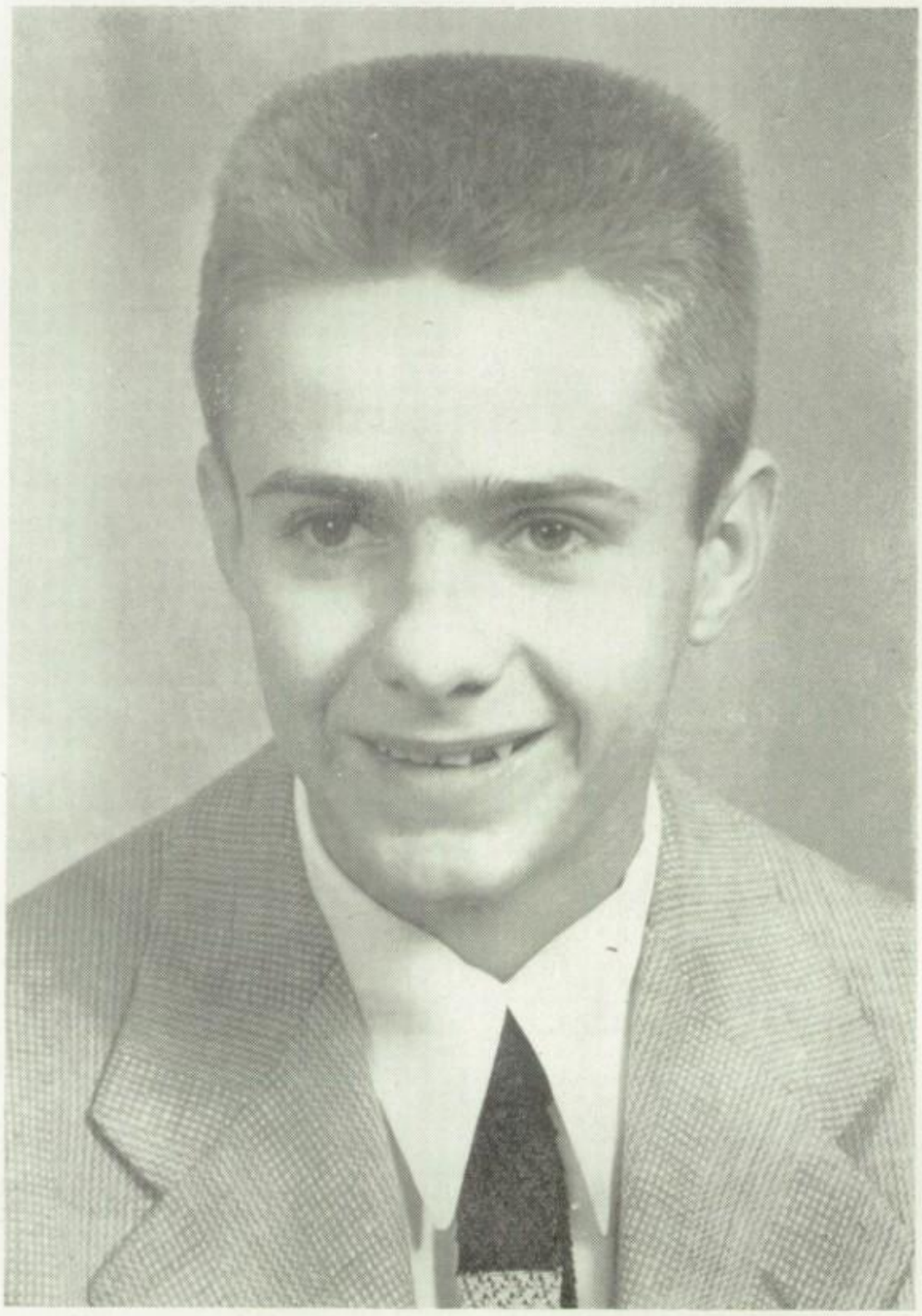


Dean Drebes

CARNIVAL QUEEN

Roberta Crane

SEARCHLIGHT KING



Jim Rouner

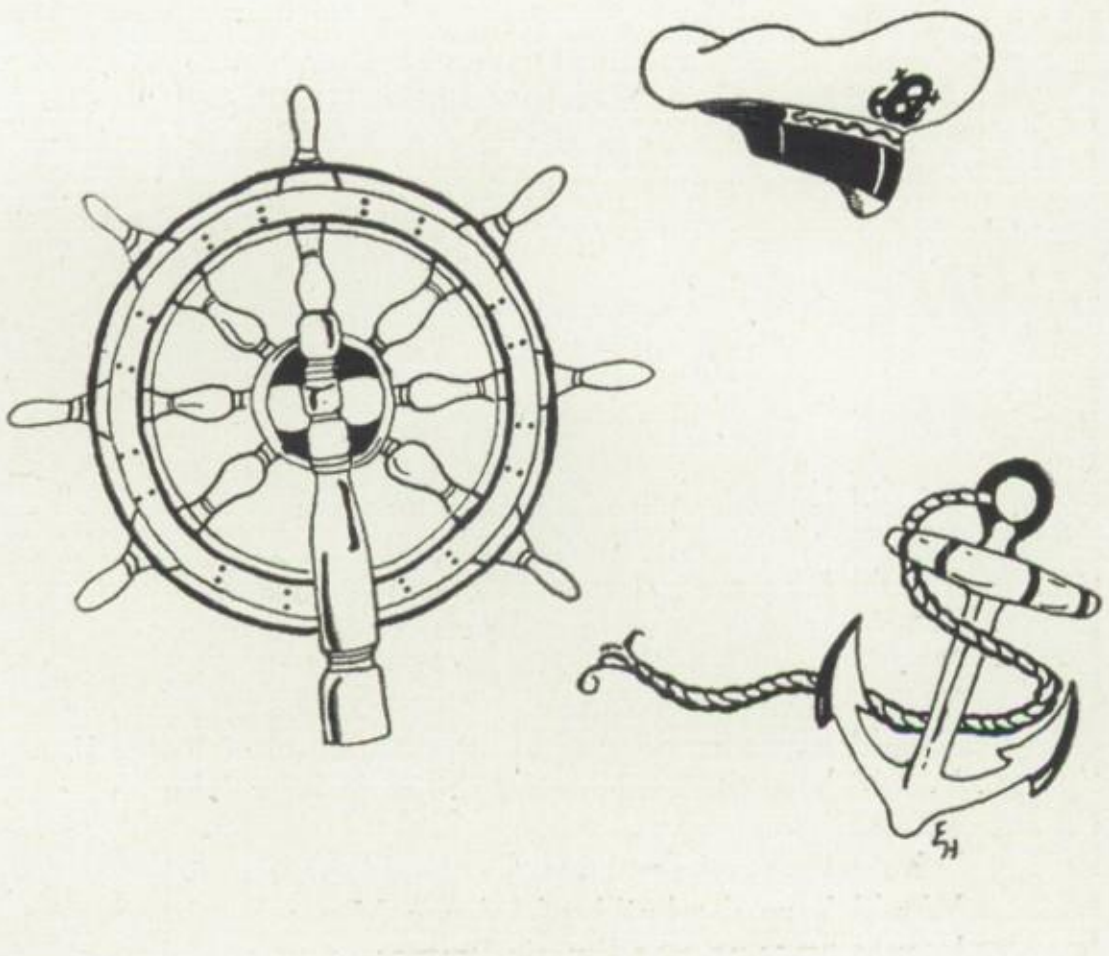
SEARCHLIGHT QUEEN

Betty Disselhorst

BASKETBALL QUEEN

Mary Bohon

Odds and Ends



PERFECT GIRL

Would have the patience of Carolyn Becker
Would be as reserved as Ruth Bockhold
Would be as loyal to Johnny Bier as Mary Bohon
Would be as friendly as Helen Callighan
Would have the complexion of Barbara Carter
Would have the imagination of Shirley Courtright
Would be as chummy as Margaret Conner
Would have the dimples of Betty Disselhorst
Would have the way with the boys as Margie Gottman
Would have the artistic ability of Elizabeth Hampton
Would have the school spirit of Catherine Herring
Would be as dependable as Edna Knueppel
Would dance like Janet Maddox
Would have the wit of Phyllis Mette
Would have the basketball ability of Lola Moore
Would get around like Maxine Powell
Would have as little feet as Marilyn Ravenscraft
Would be as neat as Carolyn Schade
Would have the teeth of Margaret Tucker
Would have the determination of Dottie Wheeler
Would have the hair style of Shirley Williams
Would have the laugh of Carol Ann Wegehoft
Would be as punctual as Evelyn Vannice

PERFECT BOY

Would have the wit of Donald Bestman
Would get around like Johnny Bier
Would have the smile of Wallace Buckwalter
Would be as jolly as Jerry Davis
Would be as friendly as Dean Drebes
Would have the evelashes of Leon Drebes
Would have the all around athletic ability of Roger Feaster
Would have the engineering ability of Billy Johnson
Would be as shy as Maurice Kreider
Would be as dependable as Harold McCormick
Would have the build of Wayne Myers
Would be as neat as Jimmie Rouner
Would have the artistic ability of Duane Schwada
Would have the car of LeRoy Strate
Would have the height of Jerry Yates
Would have the initiative of Spencer Woodall
Would have the brains of Benny Snow

Class Will

Helen Callighan wills her square dancing ability to Bessie Spratt
Margaret Conner wills her giggling ability to Peggy Ralston
Jerry Davis wills his book reports to the next sucker.
Betty Disselhorst said she would will her sewing ability to Phyllis Thomas.
Dean Drebes wills his ears to Frederick Schwada.
Leon Drebes wills his drawing ability to Bob Porter.
Cathy Herring wills her freckles to Marie Riney.
Edna Knueppel wills her ability to get along with Mrs. Maize to next year's Senior Home Ec. class.
Maurice Kreider wills his shop ability to Delbert Hoteling
Janet Maddox wills her speech grade to Marilyn Willis.
Harold McCormick wills his trigonometry ability to Jack Hackworth.
Phyllis Mette wills her ability to work to Kitten White
Wayne Myers wills his bow tie to Jack Dye.
Lola Moore wills her basketball ability to Alice McCormick.
Maxine Powell wills her art ability to Don Dunlap.
Marilyn Ravenscraft wills her poodle cut to Betty McKee.
Carolyn Schade wills her neatness to Sandra Kespohl.
Jerry Yates wills his height to Johnny Ragar.
Donald Bestman wills his political convictions to Jean White.
Spencer Woodall said he wouldn't will Carolyn Schade to anyone.
Barbara Carter wills her quiet nights at home to Mary Lou Bates.
Roger Feaster wills his football ability to Bob Teel.
Bill Johnson wills his basketball ability to Chester Bross.
Carolyn Becker wills her ability to get along with teachers to Joan White.
Benny Snow wills his car to anyone who can open the doors.
Elizabeth Hampton wills her black hair to Dottie Schneider.
Jim Rouner wills his way with the women to Kenneth Smith.
Shirley Courtright wills her modern dance ability to Geraldine White.
Duane Schwada wills his shoes to anyone who can carry them.
Marjorie Gottman wills her shorthand ability to Mary Godman.
John Bier wills his ability to flirt to Jimmy Clark.
Ruth Bockhold wills her driving ability to Betty Minor
Mary Bohon wills her long hair to Anita Potterfield.
Wallace Buckwalter wills his ability to stay out of school to anyone who can get by with it.
Carol Wegehoft wills her quiet ways to Anita Lucas.
LeRoy Strate wills his farming ability to Jack Haydon.
Abbie Todd wills her beautiful alto voice to Jean Gottman.
Margaret Tucker wills her ability to repair typewriters to any sucker who breaks one.
Evelyn Vannice wills her wild nights to Marita Meyer.
Dottie Wheeler wills her ambitions to anyone who can work and go to school too.
Shirley Williams wills her dramatic ability to Karen Ravenscraft.

Class Prophecy

BOOK WORMS

Helen Callighan and Maxine Powell, former students of Palmyra High school, will return to accept positions as teachers this coming school year. They have reported high living expenses compel them to return to Palmyra. Miss Callighan will teach square dancing and Miss Powell commerce.

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SUES FOR DIVORCE

Mrs. Wallace Buckwalter, the former Barbara Carter has just sued for a divorce. In her complaint she states her reasons as physical cruelty. Mr. Buckwalter won't shave off his whiskers, among other reasons.

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FUTURE MARRIAGE ANNOUNCED

Betty Disselhorst and Harold McCormick have just announced their engagement. Betty isn't sure of any of her plans except that they plan to get married any year now and her famous little brother will be ring bearer.

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Margaret Tucker and Ruth Bockhold have received a patent on their mousetrap. They have been working years on one that can be guaranteed against snapping people's fingers. It will soon be on sale at local stores.

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Mr. Woodall and his wife, the former Carolyn Schade, are planning a trip to the moon. They told this reporter they wanted a private life where they could eat green cheese. They are taking along a good supply of crackers.

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HOT RODDERS

Jerry Davis, Officer Spalding's favorite headache has contracted to drive the famous Millionaire Dean Drebes' racer in Indianapolis this year.

SPEAKER AT KIRKSVILLE

Wayne Myers made a speech at Kirksville Teachers College with the topic being his famous last words "What do ya mean!" composed by Phyllis Mette.

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In a fantasy the other night I seemed to be projected far into the future and when I awoke I was in the waiting room of "The Super-Jet," Palmyra's new Burlington train powered by atomic energy. While waiting, I turned to the Spectator and here are some of the items I found:

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Miss Shirley Courtright has just perfected a new kind of hula-hula dance. Wiggling your toes, Shirley says, will give the dance an effect never produced before. Shirley is giving free demonstrations every night at the "Orpheum Opera House."

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MUSCLES MOORE

Lola "Muscles" Moore headlines the wrestling card next Saturday night, wrestling against Two-Toed Maddox in the Armory at Hannibal. All of you will remember the tragic way in which Miss Maddox lost her two toes. On that occasion she was wrestling Miss Moore and Muscles began biting her toes. When the referee finally broke the hold Miss Maddox only had two toes. This is the first time the two ladies have wrestled since and it is sure to be a grudge fight.

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NEVER DEFEATED

Carolyn Becker is still trying to capture Roger Feaster's affections, but it looks like Marilyn Ravenscraft has her beat. However the race hasn't been won yet. Roger evidently prefers bachelorhood, but it is becoming to him as he has grown quite chubby as a result of Carolyn and Marilyn's dinners. Roger is reported looking at diamonds.

Class Prophecy

MISS KNUEPPEL TO MAKE DEBUT

An AP release stated today that Miss Edna Knueppel would make her debut at the Metropolitan Opera House in New York Sunday. Miss Knueppel has studied under all of the well known pianists and has completed her work under Miss Elizabeth Hampton, in private life Mrs. C. Stout.

Palmyra is happy to claim Elizabeth as one of its own and was quite amazed when in addition to her piano instruction work she began doing illustrations for Esquire. Since she began, Esquire has doubled its circulation.

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WILL RESIDE IN FLORIDA

Mr. and Mrs. John Bier have moved to Florida. Their doctor, Dr. Benny Snow, subscribed a warmer climate for Mr. Bier's health. Mrs. Bier is the former Miss Mary Bohon.

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POLICE ACTION

Donald Bestman, a well known policeman in Palmyra, will receive a $1,000 reward for catching Jimmie Rouner, who has been wanted for 2 years for robbing a bank. Mr. Bestman would not go into details as to the capture but it is believed that his wife, the former Evelyn Vannice, helped lure Jimmie to the Tavern, where he was apprehended. He will be sentenced to ninety years at hard labor.

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UP IN THE AIR

Miss Carol Ann Wegehoft and Mr. Bill Johnson are opening Saturday afternoon with Clyde Beatty's Circus in New Orleans as trapeze artists. They will be billed as the "Up in the Air Johnsons." There isn't much danger to them because of unlimited quantities of hot air Mrs. Johnson exudes.

LOCAL FARMER BUILDS NEW HOME

Mr. LeRoy Strate has just finished a modern type house for his squaw, the former Margaret Conner. The house is equipped with the most modern equipment such as electric dish washers and dryers. Air conditioning keeps house at Florida temperatures even in a blizzard.

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CELEBRATE SILVER ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Kreider, well known Palmyra couple, (Mrs. Kreider is the former Katherine Herring), are celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary this week. A lovely dinner has been planned for them by their children and about 200 are expected for this reception. After this they are going to rocket to Hawaii for their second honeymoon.

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YATES TO RETIRE

After being a star of the globe trotters for 22 years, and a successful manager for 5 years, Jerry Yates has decided to retire to his farm and raise chinchilla rabbits. He says that now he may have time to consider marriage.

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MODELS OFF TO PARIS

Shirley Williams, Dottie Wheeler and Margie Gottman have been sent to Paris with instructions to rest, by their well known clothing manufacturer Leon Drebes. Mr. Drebes visited Palmyra last year and stopped in at the Spectator to renew acquaintances. In a statement to the press, Mr. Drebes said the action was necessary because the girls hadn't been able to rest because of the popularity of their services as models.

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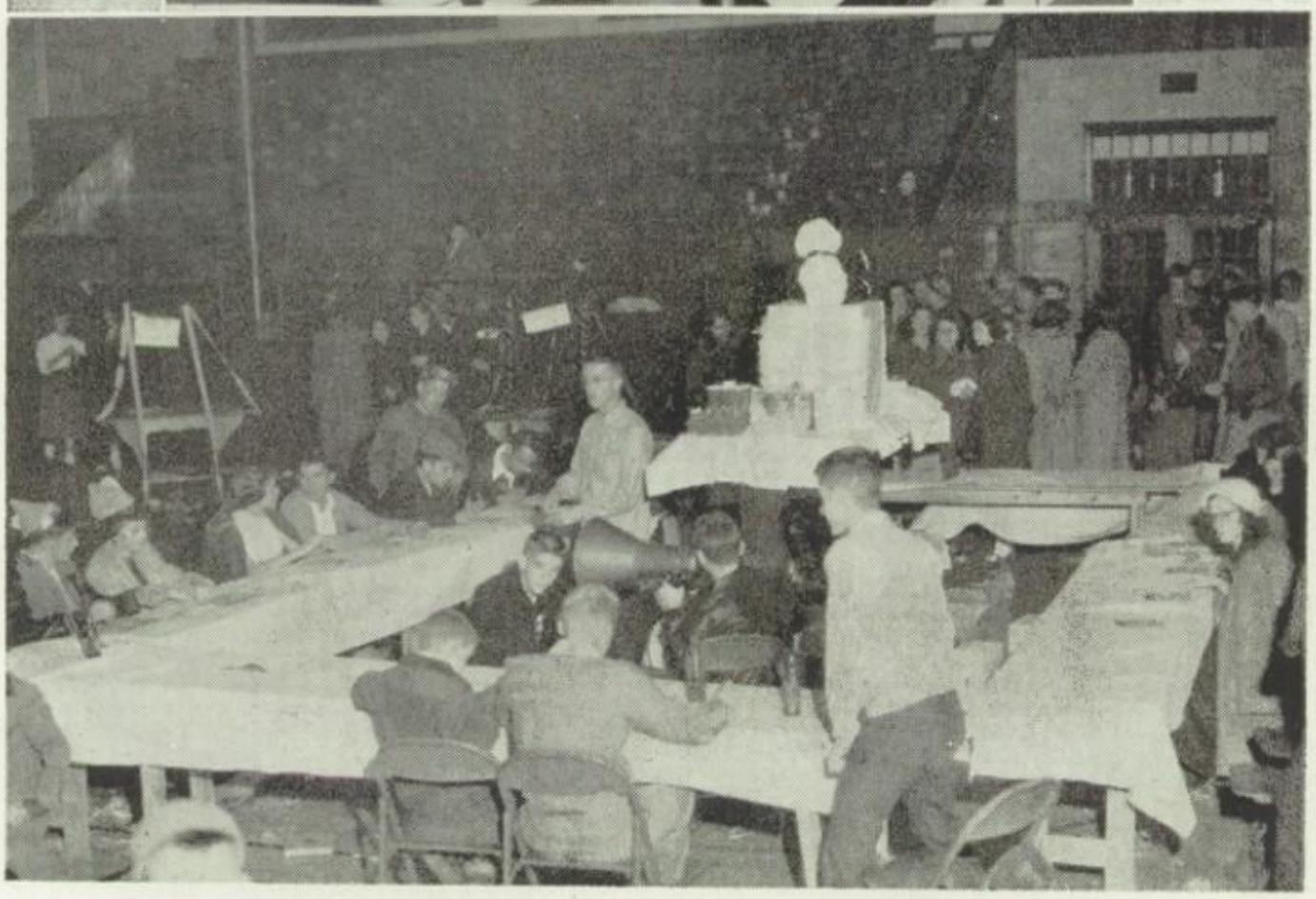
BIG FEET SCHWADA

Thumper Schwada has been forced to leave school again for the usual reason, not enough room for his feet. We hope Mr. Schwada finally will find a satisfactory place.

HOMECOMING PICTURES

BARNWARMING SNAPS

CARNIVAL SHOTS



TOURNAMENT

Can You Imagine

Margaret Connor going to school every day?
Carolyn Becker not blushing?
Helen Callighan losing her temper?
Shirley Courtright hating men?
Betty Disselhorst without her lessons?
Janet Maddox staying awake in class?
Elizabeth Hampton stepping out on Clifton?
Phyllis Mette without a grin?
Marjorie Gottman weighing 200 pounds?
Shirley Williams being 6 feet tall?
Ruth Bockhold being married?
Mary Bohon being Mrs. Bier?
Edna Knueppel with red hair?
Lola Moore hating Hannibal?
Maxine Powell with a sober face?
Marilyn Ravenscraft square dancing?
Barbara Carter in a June wedding?
Cathy Herring losing her diamond?
Margaret Tucker breaking a typewriter?
Dottie Wheeler on the war path?
Evelyn Vannice getting into an argument?
Carolyn Schade without Spencer Woodall?
Carol Ann Wegehoft never wearing a class ring?
Jimmy Rouner necking ? ? ? ? ? ?
Roger Feaster a father of 12 kids?
Donald Bestman quiet in dramatics?
John Bier in an old car?
Wallace Buckwalter not having wrecks?
Jerry Davis running a drive-in show?
Leon Drebes on the senior trip?
Dean Drebes with red headed kids? (wonder why)
Bill Johnson "waxing" floors?
Maurice Kreider flirting with the girls?
Harold McCormick with a crew cut?
Wayne Myers walking to the bus?
Benny Snow with a high voice?
LeRoy Strate riding the bus?
Spencer Woodall not teasing Miss Seeger?
Jerry Yates 2 feet tall?
Duane Schwada not talking?

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